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Introduction

The shutdown of the Savannah River Site's (SRS) river water distribution system is expected to cause fluctuating water levels in Par Pond and its pre-cooling ponds and canals. The entire Par Pond system is contaminated with radioisotopes released during reactor operations in the 1950s and 1960s. In support of an environmental impact statement to determine the consequences of shutting down the river water distribution system, sediment samples from Pond 2, Pond 5, and the P-Reactor canal were collected from above and below the existing water line. Samples were analyzed for gross alpha, gross beta, and gamma activity. The intent was not to characterize the ponds and canal, but to identify the maximum levels of contamination that could be exposed by fluctuating water levels and determine whether those levels exceed levels used in risk assessments of exposed Par Pond sediments. This report discusses the procedures used to perform the sampling, the methods used to analyze the samples, and the results.

Background

The U.S. Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office Strategic Plan requires SRS organizations to find ways to reduce operating costs and to decide what portion of the SRS infrastructure must be maintained and what portion can be eliminated. Because of SRS mission changes in recent years, the Par Pond and river water pumping systems are no longer needed to support SRS programs. Therefore, the shut down of these systems provides an opportunity for cost reduction (DOE 1995a).

When the SRS reactors began operating in the early 1950s, R Reactor received cooling water directly from the Savannah River and discharged cooling water directly into Lower Three Runs in an area that is now the Hot Arm of Par Pond. P Reactor received cooling water directly from the Savannah River and discharged cooling water directly into Steel Creek (DOE 1995b).

In 1958, Par Pond was created by constructing an earthen dam on Lower Three Runs (Figure 1). The 1012-hectare (2500-acre) recirculating cooling water reservoir was built to dissipate heat from cooling water effluent discharged from P and R Reactors (DOE 1995a). In 1958, the cooling water effluent pathway from R Reactor was rerouted through Pond C to the Hot Arm of Par Pond. In 1961, R-Reactor cooling water began to be discharged to Par Pond through the newly constructed R Canal and Pond B. This water discharge system was used until R Reactor was shut down in 1964. P Reactor began discharging to Par Pond in 1961. The cooling water was discharged through a series of canals and pre-cooler ponds to Pond C and then to Par Pond (Wike et al. 1994). Pond 2, Pond 5, Pond C, and the canals connecting these ponds to P Reactor make up the P-Reactor canal system. Parts of the P-Reactor canal system follow the original R-Reactor drainage system (DOE 1995a). P Reactor continued to discharge cooling water into Par Pond via the canal system until the reactor was shut down in 1988 (DOE 1995b).

Even with the recirculating cooling system, water from the Savannah River was still needed to replace water lost from Par Pond by evaporation and

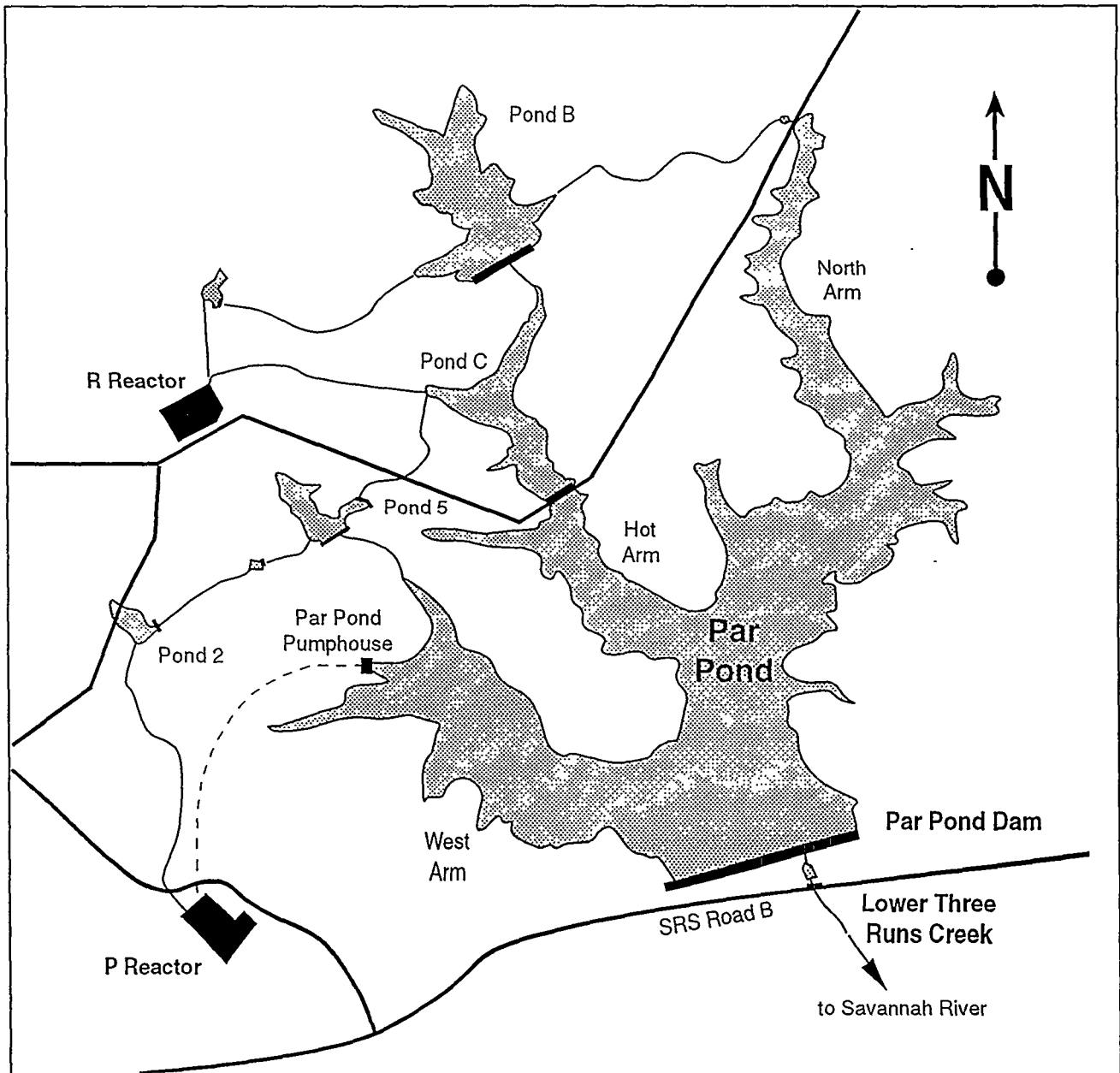


Figure 1. Par Pond cooling water system.

seepage. River water was mixed in basins at the reactor areas with recirculated water from Par Pond before it was pumped through the reactor secondary cooling system. The secondary cooling water, which was pumped to Par Pond, circulated through a system separate from the radioactive primary cooling water. Excess water from Par Pond drained to the Savannah River via Lower Three Runs (DOE 1995b).

Releases in the form of process leaks and purges have contaminated Par Pond and its associated pre-cooling ponds with cesium-137 and other radioactive constituents. Makeup cooling water from the Savannah River has contaminated the system with nonradioactive constituents. All radioactive releases ceased when R Reactor was shut down in 1964. Although P Reactor released no measurable cesium-137 into Par Pond (DOE 1995b), parts of

the P-Reactor canal system, including Pond 5, received releases from R Reactor prior to the construction of Par Pond (DOE 1995a). In addition, the P-Reactor canal and pre-cooler ponds have received secondary cesium-137 contamination as a result of recirculating contaminated cooling water from Par Pond through the reactor facilities to the discharge canal and pre-cooler ponds and back to Par Pond (DOE 1995b). However, it is likely that historically high flows through the canals prevented significant accumulation of contaminants (DOE 1995a).

Since the reservoir was constructed, river water influent has been adjusted to maintain Par Pond at full pool, keeping contaminated sediments submerged (DOE 1995a). In June 1995, the U.S. Department of Energy prepared an environmental assessment to evaluate the impacts of reducing the pumping of river water to Par Pond and allowing the water level in the reservoir to fluctuate naturally. A Finding of No Significant Impact was approved on August 29, 1995 (WSRC 1996), meaning there was no indication from the information evaluated in the environmental assessment that ceasing to pump water to Par Pond would adversely impact the ecology of the reservoir. The proposed action was to reduce pumping to Par Pond and allow the water level to fluctuate naturally between full pool (61 meters [m] [200 feet] above mean sea level) and 58 m (195 feet above mean sea level). The environmental assessment compared potential impacts of the proposed action to impacts measured during a 1991-1995 drawdown of Par Pond (DOE 1995a).

The effects of reduced water levels in the P-Reactor canal system were not evaluated during the 1991 drawdown of Par Pond. The pre-cooler ponds were constructed by impounding natural drainages, which allow them to receive rainfall and surface and near-surface runoff. Therefore, cessation of water discharge through the canals is not expected to cause total drying of the pre-cooler ponds except in a severe drought. Estimates of the contamina-

tion levels in the sediments of the pre-cooler system have not been available because the P-Reactor canal system has not been surveyed or sampled in detail (DOE 1995a).

Sampling Locations

During this study, sediment samples were collected in August 1995 (Phase 1) and April 1996 (Phase 2) at four sites in Pond 2, eight sites in or near Pond 5, and one site along the canal between Pond 2 and Pond 5. Phase 2 sampling was initiated because an examination of the Phase 1 results indicated higher-than-expected contamination at some locations and because a reexamination of the gamma contours from aerial survey data identified additional locations with contamination.

Phase 1

During the first sampling phase, sediment samples were collected from Pond 2 and Pond 5. Sampling sites were determined based on contour maps of gamma radiation exposure rates at 1 m (3.3 feet) above ground level. The maps were constructed from 1991 radiological survey aerial data overlaid on a United States Geological Survey map of the area. Sites with measurable gamma radiation were chosen for sampling.

Pond 2 had three Phase 1 sampling sites (Figure 2). The first site (P2-1) was on the east side of the pond, near the canal. The second sampling site (P2-2) was farther north, but on the same side of the pond. Sample site P2-3 was located near the northwest corner of the pond.

Pond 5 had five Phase 1 sampling sites (Figure 2). P5-1 was on the far northeast arm of the pond, near the outlet canal. P5-2 was on the south side of the pond, just east of the inlet canal. P5-3 was along the north shore of the northeast arm, southwest of P5-1. P5-4 was on the northeast shore of the northwest arm, west of P5-3. P5-5 was along the west shore of the northwest arm of the pond.

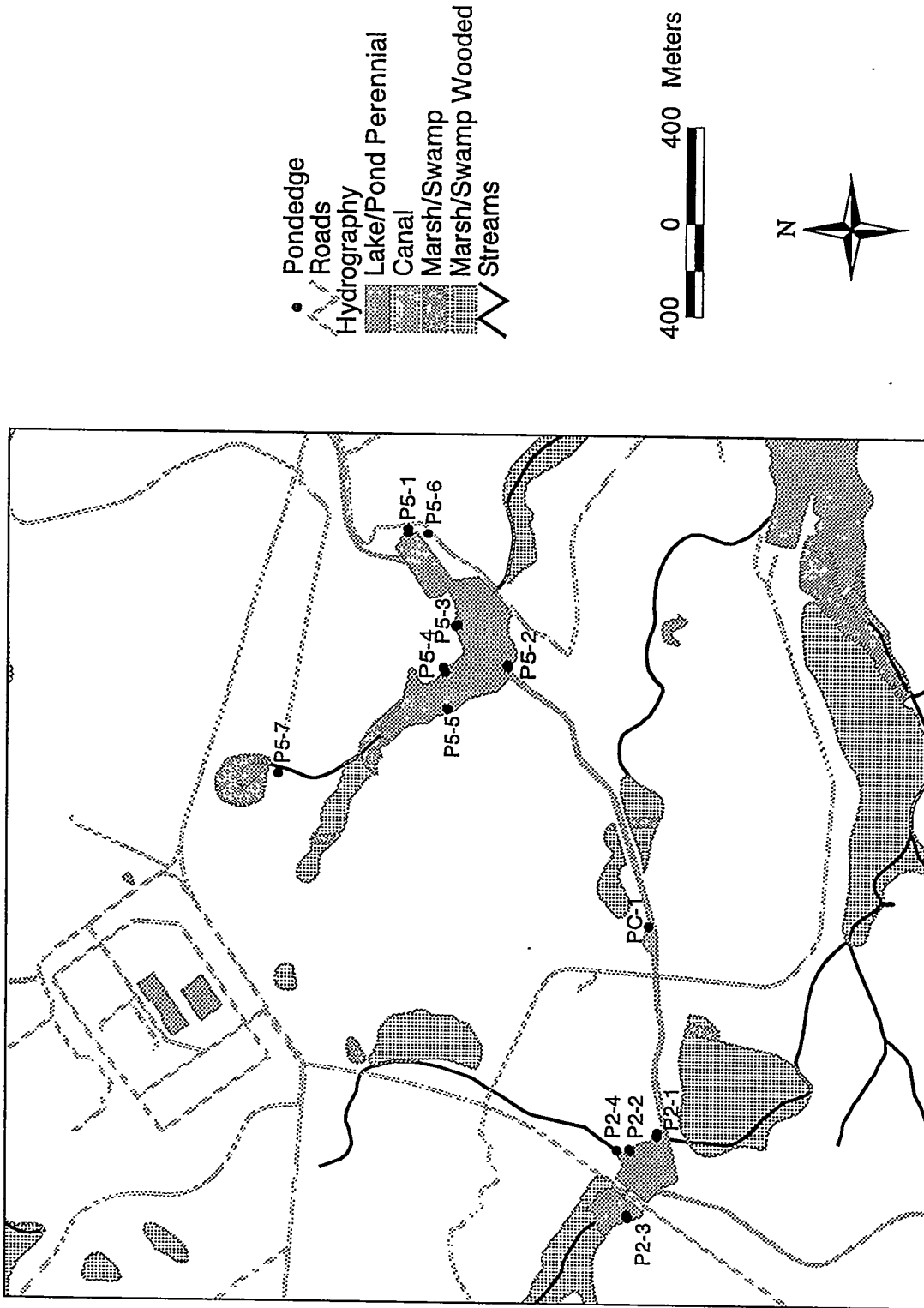


Figure 2. Pond 2, Pond 5, and P-Reactor canal sampling locations.

After Phase 1 sampling was completed, Geographic Positioning System (GPS) was used to determine coordinates for the sampling points. At each transect, coordinate points were determined for the sample points at either end of the transect. The coordinates are listed in Appendix A.

Phase 2

Transect locations from Phase 1 were compared with the contour maps showing gamma radiation exposure. Additional sampling locations were selected for Phase 2 in areas of the ponds and canal that were not sampled in Phase 1 but showed elevated activity on the contour maps. In Pond 2, a new sampling site was located on the northeast side of the pond, at the mouth of a small stream and designated P2-4. In Pond 5, a new sampling site was located on the southeast shore of the northeast arm and was designated P5-6 (Figure 2).

Two other sampling locations were chosen along a natural drainage swale northwest of Pond 5. The first site, designated P5-7, was a wet spot near a culvert under an access road. The second site, P5-8, was along the swale close to Pond 5 (Figure 2).

In addition, a wide spot in the P-Reactor discharge canal between Pond 2 and Pond 5 was sampled in Phase 2. The canal transect was designated PC-1 (Figure 2). This location had gamma activity on various aerial gamma survey maps. Also, sediments collected during Phase 1 at P5-4-7 and P5 4 8 were reanalyzed because of the higher radioactivity detected in the Phase 1 analysis of these points as compared to the other sample points. GPS was used to determine coordinates for the Phase 2 sampling points. The coordinates are listed in Appendix A.

Sample Collection Procedure

Samples were collected by Westinghouse Savannah River Company (WSRC) Environmental Sci-

ences Section personnel. Samples were taken with either a hand auger or a shovel, whichever was more efficient. Usually, the auger was used to collect sediment from under water and the shovel was used on land. Each sample consisted of sediment collected from approximately the top 8 cm (3 inches) of soil.

Phase 1

At each pond, screening samples were collected first to determine whether Radiological Control Operations (RCO) coverage would be required for the remainder of the sampling activity. Radioactivity was below screening limits for all samples, with concentrations of less than 36 picoCuries per gram (pCi/g) beta-gamma and less than 4.5 pCi/g alpha activity. Therefore, RCO coverage was not required.

A transect was established at each site. One end of each transect was at the 50-centimeter ([cm] 20-inch) water depth; the other was on the shore at an elevation of 30 cm (12 inches) above the water's edge. Sampling points were established along each transect at water depths of 50 cm (30 inches), 40 cm (16 inches), 30 cm (12 inches), 20 cm (8 inches), 10 cm (4 inches), and 0 cm (water's edge) and marked with PVC pipe labeled with the transect and sample point number. Labeled flags were used to mark the sampling points on the land portion of the transect at approximately 10 cm (4 inch), 20 cm (8 inch), and 30 cm (12 inch) elevations above the water's edge. The elevation changes on the shore were estimated. Sampling points were numbered according to the transect and sample point, moving from the water toward the shore. At each transect, the sample at the 50-cm (30-inch) depth was Sample 1. The shoreline sample (0-cm depth) was Sample 6. The land samples were labeled Samples 7, 8, and 9. For example, the sample point at the 50-cm (20-inch) depth on transect P2-1 was designated P2-1-1. Duplicate samples were collected at sample points 1 and 7 at each transect.

At each of the 3 Phase 1 transects in Pond 2, 11 samples were collected (9 sample points and 2 duplicates) for a total of 33 samples. At each of the 5 Phase 1 transects in Pond 5, 11 samples were collected (9 sample points and 2 duplicates) for a total of 55 samples.

The nine samples (numbered -1 through -9) from each transect were delivered to the WSRC Environmental Monitoring Section (EMS) for gamma spectroscopy analysis. EMS provided subsamples of each sample to the WSRC Analytical Development Section (ADS) for gross alpha and nonvolatile beta analysis. The two duplicates from each transect (-1D and -7D) were delivered separately to ADS for gamma spectroscopy, gross alpha, and nonvolatile beta analysis. Therefore, for each sample (-1 through -9) from each transect, EMS performed the gamma spectroscopy and ADS performed the gross alpha and nonvolatile beta analyses. For each duplicate sample, ADS performed all three analyses.

Phase 2

Three samples were collected from each of the 5 new locations, a total of 15 samples. No duplicates were collected.

Samples at P2-4 and P5-8 were collected from under shallow water. Samples from P5-6 and P5-7 were taken near, but above, the water's edge. In the canal, samples PC-1-1 and PC-1-2 were taken from underwater, and sample PC-1-3 was taken from above the water's edge. Labeled flags marked the locations of the Phase 2 samples.

In addition, residual soil from samples P5-4-7 and P5-4-8 collected during Phase 1 was resubmitted for analysis in Phase 2.

Gamma spectroscopy, gross alpha, and nonvolatile beta analysis were performed on the Phase 2 samples by ADS.

Analytical Methods

Alpha/Beta Analysis

ADS performed radiological screening analyses for alpha and beta activity on all the samples. The samples were prepared for analysis by leaching approximately 1.5 grams (0.5 ounces) of soil in concentrated nitric acid in a microwave oven. This process aggressively leaches both man-made and naturally occurring radioisotopes from the soil to the nitric acid. However, volatile species, such as tritium, are lost during this process. The nitric acid leachate was analyzed for radioactivity in a Packard Instruments Model 2250/CA Liquid Scintillation Counter, which is capable of separating the alpha and beta portions of the total activity (Peterson 1995). The scintillation counter counts radioactive disintegrations per minute as a measure of radioactivity present in the sample.

The samples were analyzed in four sets; the original and duplicate samples were run in two sets each. Before each set of samples was analyzed, an instrument blank was analyzed to establish the instrument background that was factored into the calculations of the count results for the samples to ensure an accurate assessment of radioactivity in the samples. Detection limits are provided in Appendix B. More than one detection limit was reported for gross alpha and nonvolatile beta.

Duplicate and all Phase 2 samples results were originally reported as dry weights, but the remaining sample results were reported as wet weights. The dry weights were converted to wet weights to make all results consistent. Converting the wet weight results to equivalent dry weight results would have been preferable, but was not possible because soil moisture content was not available for the Phase 1 samples. Results for Phase 1 and Phase 2 samples were reported in picoCuries per gram (pCi/g), while the results of the duplicate samples were reported in disintegrations per minute per gram. The results for the duplicates were converted

to pCi/g to make all results consistent. Appendix C, Table 1, summarizes the units reported by each laboratory for the various samples. The table also shows the equations used to convert the data to consistent units.

Gamma Analysis

Each sample processed by EMS for gamma spectroscopy analysis was dried for approximately 24 hours at 105°C (221°F), weighed, sifted through a 3.5-inch mesh sieve, blended for one hour, and pulverized. About 500 milliliters (approximately 600 g [21 ounces]) of the pulverized sample was analyzed for 5000 seconds on a high purity germanium detector that has an efficiency usually greater than 30%. Results were reported as dry weight (Crandall 1996).

Each sample ADS analyzed for gamma spectroscopy also was analyzed on a high purity germanium detector (Diprete 1995). A 200-g (7-ounce) aliquot of each sample was counted for 3600 seconds. The results were corrected for instrument background and were reported as wet weight. These results were converted to the equivalent dry weight measurements using the equations shown in Appendix C, Table C-1.

The constituents analyzed by each laboratory, along with their typical minimum detection limits, are provided in Appendix B. A range of detection limits is provided for some constituents. Detection limits can vary from one sample to the next based on a variety of factors. Thus, detection limits for some samples from this study actually may be outside of the "typical" ranges reported here.

Discussion

Analytical results for Pond 2, Pond 5, and the P-Reactor canal are presented in Tables 1, 2, and 3, respectively. Mean values were calculated using only those samples with activities above the lower limit of detection. The ranges and means in the

tables are not representative of the P-Reactor cooling system as a whole because samples were collected only from areas where elevated activity levels were expected. The intent was not to characterize the ponds and canal, but to identify the maximum levels of contamination that could be exposed with a drawdown and determine whether those levels exceed levels used in Par Pond risk assessments.

Three samples from Pond 2 and 11 samples from Pond 5 had low levels of gross alpha activity. The levels in the two ponds were comparable (Tables 1 and 2; Appendix C, Tables C-2, C-3, C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8, C-9, C-10, C-11, C-12, and C-13).

Nonvolatile beta activity was measured in most of the Pond 2 and the P-Reactor canal samples, but was found in less than half the Pond 5 samples. However, the Pond 5 samples had higher activity than the other samples (Tables 1, 2, and 3). The highest activity was at P5-4 (Appendix C, Table C-9), where activities of 71 pCi/g, 110 pCi/g, and 240 pCi/g were recorded and at P5-6, where activities of 95 pCi/g and 130 pCi/g were recorded (Appendix C, Table C-11).

The method of analysis ADS used for gross alpha and nonvolatile beta is a good qualitative indicator of the presence or absence of radioactivity in soil samples. However, due to sampling and counting limitations, the absolute quantities determined by this method may be subject to large errors. Uncertainty based on counting statistics and other sources of error was about $\pm 100\%$ (Peterson 1995).

Gamma spectroscopy results indicated that some samples contained the following naturally occurring radioisotopes: beryllium-7, potassium-40, thallium-208, lead-212, lead-214, bismuth-212, bismuth-214, radium-224, radium-226, actinium-228, thorium-228, thorium-231, thorium-234, and uranium-235. The only manmade radioisotopes found in any of the samples were cobalt-60, cesium-137, europium-155, and americium-241 (DiPrete 1995; Crandall 1995). Cesium-137 was

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Table 1. Summary of analytical results for Pond 2 sediments (pCi/g).

Analyte	Number ¹	Range (pCi/g)	Average (pCi/g) ²
Gross alpha	3	<2.5-7.6	5.2
Nonvolatile beta	27	<5.8-35	17
Potassium-40	29	ND ³ -4.10	1.79
Cobalt-60	4	ND-0.121	0.0893
Cesium-137	36	0.987-23.9	6.21
Thallium-208	36	0.0976-0.691	0.366
Lead-212	36	0.281-2.11	1.06
Lead-214	35	ND-1.49	0.914
Bismuth-212	24	ND-3.01	1.04
Bismuth-213	36	0.120-2.53	0.893
Radium-224	3	ND-3.20	2.67
Radium-226	18	ND-5.99	3.13
Actinium-228	30	ND-2.32	1.07
Thorium-228	4	ND-5.11	4.46
Thorium-231	4	ND-0.964	0.843
Thorium-234	7	ND-2.22	1.49
Uranium-235	2	ND-0.362	0.266
Americium-241	1	0.881	0.881

¹ Number of samples with measurable concentrations of the analyte. Thirty-six samples were analyzed.

² Only those samples with measurable activity were averaged.

³ ND = Not detected.

detected in all but four samples. Six samples showed the presence of cobalt-60, one sample indicated the presence of europium-155, and one sample indicated the presence of americium-241 (Appendix C).

Cesium-137 detected in the sediment samples from Pond 2 ranged from 0.987 to 23.9 pCi/g. The highest concentration was at P2-4. P-Reactor canal

samples ranged from 0.137 to 23.7 pCi/g. In Pond 5 samples, cesium-137 ranged from less than detectable to 87.4 pCi/g. The highest concentration in Pond 5 was at P5-4. The samples with the highest concentrations were collected 10-20 cm (4-8 inches) above the water line. The sample points with the highest concentrations of cesium-137 also had the highest nonvolatile beta activity, as expected (Appendix C).

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Table 2. Summary of analytical results for Pond 5 (pCi/g).

Analyte	Number ¹	Range (pCi/g)	Average (pCi/g) ²
Gross alpha	11	<2.6-9.4	4.9
Nonvolatile beta	30	<5.9-240	37
Beryllium-7	1	1.81	1.81
Potassium-40	35	ND ³ -9.44	2.04
Cobalt-60	2	ND-0.176	0.118
Cesium-137	60	ND-87.4	11.8
Europium-155	1	0.215	0.215
Thallium-208	56	ND-0.940	0.372
Lead-212	61	ND-2.36	0.971
Lead-214	63	0.0669-3.01	0.836
Bismuth-212	37	ND-2.85	1
Bismuth-214	60	ND-1.82	0.796
Radium-224	11	ND-2.76	1.78
Radium-226	22	ND-8.05	2.68
Actinium-228	47	ND-2.46	1.15
Thorium-228	4	ND-11.1	6.75
Thorium-231	3	ND-2.10	1.28
Thorium-234	5	ND-2.81	1.96
Uranium-235	5	ND-0.220	0.140

¹ Number of samples with measurable concentrations of the analyte. Sixty-seven samples were analyzed.

² Only those samples with measurable activity were averaged.

³ ND = Not detected.

Cobalt-60 was detected in both ponds, and detectable concentrations ranged from 0.0569 pCi/g to 0.176 pCi/g. Americium-241 was found only at transect P2-1 and measured 0.881 pCi/g. Historically, EMS has not detected cobalt-60 or americium-241 in non-SRS soils. Therefore, the cobalt-60 and americium-241 measured in the P-Reactor cooling water system could be considered to ex-

ceed background values (Crandall 1996). However, based on information in Lower (1987), the cobalt-60 values are within the range associated with global fallout.

Gamma spectroscopy is not the recommended method for quantifying some naturally occurring radioisotopes, including radium-224, radium-226,

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Table 3. Summary of analytical results for the P-Reactor Canal sediments (pCi/g).

Analyte	Number ¹	Range (pCi/g)	Average (pCi/g) ²
Nonvolatile beta	2	<7.9-54	39
Potassium-40	1	4.65	4.65
Cesium-137	3	0.137-23.7	8.23
Thallium-208	3	0.287-0.556	0.414
Lead-212	3	0.654-1.48	1.065
Lead-214	3	0.556-0.16	0.770
Bismuth-212	2	ND ³ -1.88	1.59
Bismuth-214	3	0.523-1.42	0.855
Radium-224	1	1.03	1.03
Actinium-228	3	0.639-1.44	1.01

- 1 Number of samples with measurable concentrations of the analyte. Three samples were analyzed.
- 2 Only those samples with measurable activity were averaged.
- 3 ND = Not detected.

thorium-228, thorium-231, thorium-234, and uranium-235, in environmental samples. Chemical separation and concentration of the radionuclides would be the preferred method. Therefore, the data reported for these isotopes should be used only for information and trending (Crandall 1996). Gamma spectroscopy is the recommended method for quantification of the naturally occurring radioisotopes thallium-208, lead-212, lead-214, bismuth-212, and actinium-228 (Crandall 1996).

For some of the samples analyzed by ADS, a gamma ray with a particular energy that could be attributed to more than one radionuclide (radium-226 or uranium-235) was observed. The instrument software could not discern whether one or both radionuclides were present or determine the ratio of the two. In these instances, all the activity was assigned to each of the radionuclides. These instances are identified in the Appendix C tables

with the footnote "Part of an ADS undetermined solution" (Diprete 1996).

Although the P-Reactor cooling water canal system has not previously been studied, numerous studies of Par Pond, Pond B, and Pond C have been performed. Table 4 compares cesium-137, cobalt-60, gross alpha and nonvolatile beta activity from the various studies. These studies are briefly described below.

- Sediment cores to a depth of 1 m (3.3 feet) were collected from the Par Pond system in 1984 during the Comprehensive Cooling Water Study's Radionuclide and Heavy Metal Transport Program. The mean volume-weighted cesium-137 concentration in these sediments was 8.43 pCi/g and the maximum cesium-137 concentration was 75.7 pCi/g. Most of the material was in the upper 5 cm (2 inches) of

Table 4. Comparison of activity levels measured in the P-Reactor canal system in this study and in other Par Pond cooling system studies (pCi/g).

Study/source	Cesium-137 (pCi/g)	Cobalt-60 (pCi/g)	Gross alpha activity (pCi/g)	Gross beta activity (pCi/g)
Pond 2/this study	range: 0.987 to 23.9 mean: 6.21	range: <LLD ¹ to 0.121 mean: 0.0893	range: <LLD to 7.6	range: <LLD to 35
Pond 5/this study	range: <LLD to 87.4 mean: 11.8	range: <LLD to 0.176 mean: 0.118	range: <LLD to 9.4	range: <LLD to 240
P-Reactor Canal/this study	range: 0.137 to 23.7 mean: 8.23	<LLD	<LLD	range: <LLD to 54
Par Pond and Pond B, 1984 CCWS ²	range: <LLD to 75.7 mean: 8.43	<4	NA	NA
P-Reactor Canal, 1984 CCWS ²	range: <0.2 (LLD) to 17.5 mean: 4.82	NA	NA	NA
Background (Savannah River, 1983-1985) ²	<LLD to 1	range: <LLD to 0.4	NA	NA
Par Pond, SREL Study ³	mean: 100	NA	NA	NA
Par Pond, EMS Study ⁴	range: 1.09 to 25.80	NA	NA	NA
Pond C, EMS Study ⁴	range: 1.31 to 14.14	NA	NA	NA
Par Pond, ETS Study ⁵	range: 0.23 to 136	range: 0.003 to 1.31	NA	NA
Background (normal levels seen at SRS) ⁶	NA	NA	20	50
Background (Meyer's Branch) ⁴	<2 (LLD)	NA	NA	NA

1 LLD = lower limit of detection

2 Lower 1987

3 Whicker 1991

4 WSRC 1994

5 Winn 1993

6 Peterson 1995

soil. Cobalt-60 concentrations averaged less than 4 pCi/g.

One of the coring locations was from the P-Reactor canal, at the west entrance to Pond 2. At that location, the cesium-137 concentration ranged from less than 0.2 pCi/g (the lower limit of detection) to 17.5 pCi/g along the length of the core, with a volume-weighted mean of 4.82 pCi/g (Lower 1987).

- Sediment samples have been collected from SRS streams and the Savannah River for routine sediment monitoring. Samples collected from the Savannah River, upstream of SRS, and from Upper Three Runs, a creek located on the SRS, provide a useful comparison because those bodies of water did not receive transuranic releases from SRS reactors. Between 1983 and 1985, cobalt-60 concentrations in these samples ranged from less than 0.2 pCi/g (the lower limit of detection) to 0.4 pCi/g. These values are well within the ranges associated with global fallout. Concentrations of cesium-137 ranged from less than 0.2 pCi/g (the lower limit of detection) to 1.0 pCi/g (Lower 1987).
- In 1991, sediment cores collected by the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory from exposed and underwater areas of Par Pond showed peak cesium activity between 4 and 8 cm (1.5 and 3 inches) deep. Mean concentration of cesium in the top 10 cm (4 inches) of soil was about 100 pCi/g dry weight (Whicker 1991).
- In June 1991, EMS collected 8-cm (3-inch)-deep soil samples along the Par Pond shoreline (at full pool) and 30-cm (12-inch)-deep cores around the Pond C shoreline. Sediment samples were analyzed by gamma spectroscopy. Par Pond soils ranged from 1.09 pCi/g to 25.80 pCi/g cesium-137. Pond C cesium-137 concentrations ranged from 1.31 to 14.14 pCi/g (WSRC 1994).

- WSRC Environmental Technology Section collected grab samples of Par Pond sediments in 1991. Cesium-137 concentrations ranged from 0.23 pCi/g to 136 pCi/g. Cobalt-60 concentrations ranged from 0.003 pCi/g to 1.31 pCi/g (Winn 1993).

- WSRC Environmental Restoration uses 20 pCi/g alpha activity and 50 pCi/g beta activity as the levels above which the activity is considered indicative of contamination (Peterson 1995).

- The highest cesium-137 activity ever found in Par Pond sediments was 657 pCi/g. Background was established from Meyer's Branch at less than 2 pCi/g (WSRC 1994).

In general, cesium-137 activities in the pre-cooler ponds and canal are higher than background, but within the range of radioactivities in the Par Pond system. Cobalt-60 activities in the pre-cooler ponds appear to be within the ranges measured at background locations in previous studies.

If 20 pCi/g and 50 pCi/g are used as screening levels for gross alpha and nonvolatile beta, respectively (Peterson 1995), then nonvolatile beta activities in five samples from Pond 5 and one from the canal equaled or exceeded levels normally found in noncontaminated sites at SRS. Samples were expected to exceed the screening levels due to the history of the release of cesium-137 and other manmade radioisotopes to the Par Pond system. Three of the highest nonvolatile beta activities, 71 pCi/g, 110 pCi/g and 240 pCi/g, were found in samples taken from P5-4-7 and P5-4-8. However, analytical results for three additional samples taken from the same two Pond 5 sites were less than or equal to the screening level (Appendix C). The average results for the four samples from P5-4-7 and the two samples from P5-4-8 were 67 pCi/g and 145 pCi/g, respectively. The range of results could indicate an analytical problem or may reflect the nonhomogenous nature of sediment con-

tamination. The other two highest activities on Pond 5 were 130 pCi/g and 95 pCi/g, taken from P5-6-1 and P5-6-2, respectively. The "high" canal sample exhibited 54 pCi/g. The nonvolatile beta activities at all other locations were less than or equal to the screening level. Gross alpha activities at all sites were also less than the screening level.

It should be noted that the screening values for alpha and beta activities probably apply to dry soil, whereas the alpha and beta results from this study are reported as wet weight. Analytical results for dry soils can be calculated using measured soil moisture content or estimated using average soil moisture content. Soil moisture was measured on 31 of the soil samples, with an average value of 37%. Using the measured soil moisture content when available and the average moisture content when measured data was not available to convert the data to equivalent dry-weight activities, a total of 14 samples appear to exceed the nonvolatile beta screening level and one sample appears to exceed the gross alpha screening level. As mentioned previously, samples were expected to exceed the

screening levels due to the history of the release of cesium-137 and other manmade radioisotopes to the Par Pond system. The maximum nonvolatile beta activities would increase to 99 pCi/g for Pond 2 (P2-4-2, wet-weight result of 35 pCi/g) and 380 pCi/g (P5-4-8, wet-weight result of 240 pCi/g) for Pond 5, and would remain 54 pCi/g (PC-1-3) for the P-Reactor Canal. However, if the two samples from P5-4-8 are averaged, the Pond 5 maximum nonvolatile beta result would drop to 214 pCi/g.

Only the sample from P5-5-1 would exceed the gross alpha screening level with a calculated result of 33 pCi/g. However, when averaged with the other sample from P5-5-1, the result would be 19 pCi/g, which is below the screening level.

Overall, activity levels in this study are comparable to activities measured during other studies of the Par Pond cooling system. Consequently, contamination in the P-Reactor canal system would not be expected to alter conclusions about potential risk established in risk assessments that were based on previously reported Par Pond contamination data.

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Appendix A

GPS Coordinates for All Sampling Transects

Table A-1. SRS coordinates for Pond 2, Pond 5, and P-Reactor canal sampling locations.

Sampling location or site ¹	SRS-East	SRS-North
P2-1-1	69915	51939
P2-1-9	69945	51907
P2-2-1	69958	52340
P2-2-9	69990	52341
P2-3-1	69305	52878
P2-3-9	69264	52892
P2-4	70074	52481
P5-1-1	78369	49967
P5-1-9	78419	49940
P5-2-1	75192	49898
P5-2-9	76174	49893
P5-3-1	76964	50155
P5-3-9	76976	50188
P5-4-1	76624	50612
P5-4-9	76664	50612
P5-5-1	76228	50866
P5-5-9	76217	50856
P5-6	78206	49761
P5-7-1	76832	53241
P5-8	Not determined	Not determined
PC-1	72210	50409

¹ For Phase 1 sampling locations, coordinates of sampling points at each end of each transect were determined. For each Phase 2 sampling location, coordinates for a point estimated to be in the center of the three sampling sites were determined.

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Appendix B

Analytical Detection Limits

Table B-1. Analytical Detection Limits.

Analyte	Laboratory ¹	Detection limit (pCi/g)
Gross alpha	ADS	2.5-10.4
Gross beta	ADS	15.8-8.5
Actinium-228	ADS	≈ 0.5-1
Actinium-228	EMS	0.18
Americium-241	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Americium-241	EMS	0.16
Antimony-124	EMS	0.076
Antimony-125	ADS	≈ 0.5-0.7
Antimony-125	EMS	0.29
Antimony-127	EMS	1.7
Barium-133	EMS	0.11
Barium-140	EMS	0.57
Beryllium-7	EMS	1
Bismuth-212	EMS	0.42
Bismuth-214	ADS	≈ 0.7-1
Bismuth-214	EMS	0.14
Cadmium-109	ADS	≈ 3-4
Cadmium-109	EMS	1.5
Cesium-134	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Cesium-134	EMS	0.064
Cesium-136	EMS	0.094
Cesium-137	ADS	≈ 0.2
Cesium-137	EMS	0.070
Cesium-139	EMS	0.074
Cesium-141	EMS	0.14
Cesium-144	ADS	≈ 0.9-1
Cesium-144	EMS	0.49
Chromium-51	EMS	0.97
Cobalt-57	EMS	0.061
Cobalt-58	EMS	0.060
Cobalt-60	ADS	≈ 0.2
Cobalt-60	EMS	0.045

¹ ADS = WSRC Analytical Development Section; EMS = WSRC Environmental Monitoring Section.

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Table B-1. Analytical Detection Limits (continued).

Analyte	Laboratory ¹	Detection limit (pCi/g)
Europium-152	ADS	≈ 0.9-2
Europium-152	EMS	0.82
Europium-154	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Europium-154	EMS	0.12
Europium-155	ADS	≈ 0.3-0.4
Europium-155	EMS	0.18
Indium-114M	EMS	0.48
Iodine-131	EMS	0.27
Iron-59	EMS	0.096
Lead-211	EMS	2.7
Lead-212	ADS	≈ 0.3-0.4
Lead-212	EMS	0.14
Lead-214	ADS	≈ 0.6-1
Lead-214	EMS	0.18
Manganese-54	EMS	0.062
Molybdenum-99	EMS	13
Neodymium-147	EMS	0.46
Neptunium-237	ADS	≈ 0.3-0.5
Neptunium-237	EMS	0.43
Niobium-95	EMS	0.079
Niobium-95M	EMS	3.4
Plutonium-239	ADS	≈ 2000
Potassium-40	ADS	≈ 2-4
Potassium-40	EMS	0.42
Protactinium-234	ADS	≈ 0.5-0.8
Radium-223	EMS	0.21
Radium-224	ADS	≈ 4-5
Radium-224	EMS	2.2
Radium-226	ADS	≈ 3-5
Radium-226	EMS	1.9
Radon-219	EMS	0.63
Rubidium-84	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Ruthenium-103	EMS	0.11
Ruthenium-106	EMS	0.64
Tellurium-132	EMS	1.3
Thallium-208	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Thallium-208	EMS	0.083
Thallium-210	EMS	0.050

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Table B-1. Analytical Detection Limits (continued).

Analyte	Laboratory ¹	Detection limit (pCi/g)
Thorium-227	EMS	0.55
Thorium-228	EMS	4.2
Thorium-231	EMS	0.80
Thorium-234	ADS	≈ 2-3
Thorium-234	EMS	1.1
Tin-113	EMS	0.13
Tin-126	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.4
Uranium-234	ADS	≈ 70-100
Uranium-235	ADS	≈ 0.2-0.3
Uranium-235	EMS	0.13
Uranium-238	ADS	≈ 200-400
Yttrium-88	EMS	0.062
Zinc-65	EMS	0.11 ¹
Zirconium-95	EMS	0.11

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Appendix C

Results

Table C-1. Units originally reported by the laboratories.

Sample type	Number of samples	Gross alpha and nonvolatile beta			Gamma spectroscopy		
		Lab	Units ¹	Dry/wet weight ²	Lab	Units ¹	Dry/wet weight ²
Phase 1	72	ADS	pCi/g	wet	EMS	pCi/g	dry
Phase 1 duplicates	16	ADS	dpm/g	dry	ADS	pCi/g & dpm/g	wet
Phase 2	15	ADS	pCi/g	dry	ADS	pCi/g & dpm/g	wet

¹ Conversions from dpm/g to pCi/g can be calculated using this conversion factor: 1 pCi = 2.22 dpm.

² Results can be converted from wet weight to dry weight or the reverse using this relationship: activity (dry weight basis) = activity (wet weight basis) / fraction of solids.

If an analyte was not detected in any sample from a particular transect, it is not included in the table of results (C-2 through C-14). For example, cobalt-60 was not found in any sample at transect P2-3.

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Table C-2. Pond 2, transect P2-1 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Co-60 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-1-1	-50		<2.5	11	1.19	ND ⁴	1.41	0.402
P2-1-1D	-50	73.9	3.7	<6	ND	ND	5.03	0.279
P2-1-2	-40		<2.5	21	2.88	ND	16.4	0.414
P2-1-3	-30		<2.5	27	1.63	0.0569	12.2	0.404
P2-1-4	-20		<2.6	12	1.54	ND	8.90	0.257
P2-1-5	-10		<2.5	12	1.05	ND	7.36	0.115
P2-1-6	0		<2.5	32	0.832	ND	6.36	0.171
P2-1-7	10		<2.5	10	0.989	ND	5.65	0.266
P2-1-7D	10	80.2	<2.8	<5.8	1.20	ND	4.68	0.166
P2-1-8	20		<2.6	27	2.52	0.121	16.9	0.691
P2-1-9	30		<2.6	<7.8	ND	ND	2.79	0.0976

Sample ID	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³	Am-241 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-1-1	1.10	0.762	0.668	0.823	1.95	1.22	ND	ND
P2-1-1D	0.770	0.628	ND	0.483	ND	0.516	ND	ND
P2-1-2	1.29	1.30	0.590	1.10	2.69	1.27	ND	ND
P2-1-3	1.24	1.06	0.834	1.01	2.57	1.19	ND	0.881
P2-1-4	0.556	0.685	0.459	0.545	2.33	0.606	ND	ND
P2-1-5	0.637	0.471	0.543	0.460	2.00	0.663	ND	ND
P2-1-6	0.643	0.522	ND	0.503	ND	0.680	1.09	ND
P2-1-7	0.946	0.713	0.849	0.666	3.22	0.866	ND	ND
P2-1-7D	0.746	0.288	ND	0.120	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-1-8	2.08	1.49	1.08	1.43	4.02	1.85	ND	ND
P2-1-9	0.342	0.289	ND	0.353	ND	0.424	ND	ND

¹ Percent solids = 100% moisture.

² All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.

³ Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight. In this and the following tables: Be-7 = beryllium-7, K-40 = potassium-40, Co-60 = cobalt-60, Cs-137 = cesium-137, Eu-155 = europium-155, Tl-208 = thallium-208, Pb-212 = lead-212, Pb-214 = lead-214, Bi-212 = bismuth-212, Bi-214 = bismuth-214, Ra-224 = radium-224, Ra-226 = radium-226, Ac-228 = actinium-228, Th-228 = thorium-228, Th-231 = thorium-231, Th 234 = thorium-234, Am-241 = americium-241, U-235 = uranium-235.

⁴ ND = Not detected.

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Table C-3. Pond 2, transect P2-2 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Co-60 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-2-1	-50		<2.6	14	1.32	ND ⁴	1.34	0.264	0.840	0.650
P2-2-1D	-50	41.4	4.3	<6	2.92	ND	7.71	0.551	1.82	1.17
P2-2-2	-40		<2.5	24	1.11	ND	4.16	0.467	1.34	0.908
P2-2-3	-30		<2.6	12	1.87	0.0882	3.35	0.553	1.54	0.955
P2-2-4	-20		<2.6	13	1.58	ND	2.60	0.441	1.12	0.712
P2-2-5	-10		<2.6	11	2.29	ND	2.21	0.447	1.62	1.02
P2-2-6	0		<2.5	17	1.57	ND	4.18	0.504	1.55	1.15
P2-2-7	10		<2.5	15	1.49	ND	2.97	0.433	1.30	0.943
P2-2-7D	10	88.4	7.6	<6	0.655	ND	4.11	0.506	1.98	1.44
P2-2-8	20		<2.5	17	2.04	ND	2.45	0.402	1.36	0.901
P2-2-9	30		<2.5	18	2.20	ND	3.07	0.656	2.11	1.35

Sample ID	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-224 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-231 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ^{3*}	U-235 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-2-1	0.866	0.618	ND	ND	0.881	ND	ND	0.883	ND
P2-2-1D	2.78	2.53	ND	ND	1.19	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-2-2	0.836	0.757	ND	ND	1.33	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-2-3	0.946	0.987	2.26	2.75	1.54	3.63	0.687	2.16	0.170
P2-2-4	1.17	0.751	ND	2.20	1.07	ND	ND	1.44	ND
P2-2-5	0.815	1.01	2.55	3.24	1.47	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-2-6	0.973	1.04	ND	ND	1.52	ND	ND	2.22	ND
P2-2-7	0.651	0.878	ND	ND	1.38	5.02	0.947	ND	ND
P2-2-7D	3.01	1.20	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.15	ND
P2-2-8	0.918	0.897	ND	2.99	1.27	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-2-9	1.12	1.15	3.20	3.28	2.32	ND	ND	ND	ND

- 1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.
- 2 All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.
- 3 Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.
- 4 ND = Not detected.

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Table C-4. Pond 2, transect P2-3 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-3-1	-50		<2.6	<7.8	1.92	1.35	0.449	0.989	1.18
P2-3-1D	-50	51.8	<2.8	<6.1	3.46	1.92	0.357	0.681	1.22
P2-3-2	-40		<2.6	14	2.41	0.987	0.462	1.43	1.33
P2-3-3	-30		<2.7	<8	ND ⁴	8.10	0.465	1.16	1.16
P2-3-4	-20		<2.7	10	1.61	1.51	0.299	0.921	1.03
P2-3-5	-10		<2.7	9.2	1.05	3.75	0.219	0.583	0.603
P2-3-6	0		<2.7	11	ND	1.26	0.154	0.281	ND
P2-3-7	10		<2.6	15	1.30	3.36	0.262	0.723	0.681
P2-3-7D	10	59.3	<2.9	<6.1	ND	2.02	0.432	0.428	0.749
P2-3-8	20		<2.7	10	1.42	1.56	0.186	0.653	0.751
P2-3-9	30		<2.6	9.3	ND	2.28	0.184	0.69	0.574

Sample ID	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-231 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³	U-235 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-3-1	0.673	1.02	4.56	1.17	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-1D	ND	1.52	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.531	ND
P2-3-2	1.02	1.28	2.83	1.44	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-3	ND	1.05	5.99	1.26	5.11	0.964	ND	0.362
P2-3-4	1.01	1.14	4.39	0.862	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-5	ND	0.563	ND	0.697	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-6	ND	0.304	ND	0.276	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-7	0.677	0.677	2.31	0.621	4.09	0.774	ND	ND
P2-3-7D	ND	0.486	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-8	0.700	0.570	ND	0.728	ND	ND	ND	ND
P2-3-9	ND	0.480	ND	0.881	ND	ND	ND	ND

¹ Percent solids = 100% moisture.

² All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.

³ Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.

⁴ ND = Not detected.

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Table C-5. Pond 2, transect P2-4 activities.

Sample ID	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Co-60 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-4-1	37.7	<3.0	23	ND ⁴	ND	23.1	0.464
P2-4-2	35.3	<3.1	35	ND	ND	23.9	0.425
P2-4-3	35.6	<3.1	27	4.10	0.0913	22.6	0.343

Sample ID	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³
P2-4-1	0.597	1.18	ND	0.761	ND	ND
P2-4-2	1.01	1.04	ND	1.06	ND	ND
P2-4-3	1.03	1.07	1.71	1.16	3.03	1.01

1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.

2 All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.

3 All isotopic analyses were performed by ADS and converted to dry weight.

4 ND = Not detected.

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Table C-6. Pond 5, transect P5-1 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-1-1	-50		<2.7	16	0.796	3.32	0.417	1.15	0.937
P5-1-1D	-50	57.9	3.9	18	1.64	18.8	0.228	0.598	0.829
P5-1-2	-40		<2.7	20	1.04	3.39	0.455	1.22	1.11
P5-1-3	-30		<2.7	18	1.07	2.95	0.394	1.11	0.928
P5-1-4	-20		<2.6	9.4	ND ⁴	2.39	0.460	0.991	0.856
P5-1-5	-10		<2.6	12	0.745	2.87	0.407	1.09	0.875
P5-1-6	0		<2.6	14	0.725	2.36	0.419	1.13	0.720
P5-1-7	10		<2.6	18	0.648	4.29	0.398	1.10	0.859
P5-1-7D	10	81.8	4.1	7.0	0.593	3.80	0.410	1.07	0.577
P5-1-8	20		<2.7	43	1.22	17.4	0.455	1.34	0.955
P5-1-9	30		<2.7	<7.4	0.553	0.759	0.373	0.832	0.579

Sample ID	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-224 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-231 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-1-1	0.916	0.882	2.41	ND	1.16	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-1D	ND	1.11	ND	ND	1.18	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-2	0.798	1.05	1.85	2.08	1.28	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-3	0.728	0.860	1.38	2.26	1.09	ND	ND	1.73
P5-1-4	0.934	0.774	ND	ND	1.08	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-5	0.964	0.833	ND	3.56	1.07	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-6	1.13	0.703	ND	ND	1.16	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-7	0.925	0.802	1.61	1.90	1.11	3.67	0.694	1.40
P5-1-7D	ND	0.565	1.36	ND	1.17	ND	ND	ND
P5-1-8	1.22	1.04	2.38	3.58	1.46	4.90	0.927	ND
P5-1-9	ND	0.635	1.37	1.64	0.863	ND	ND	ND

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- 4 ND = Not detected.

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Table C-7. Pond 5, transect P5-2 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-2-1	-50		<2.6	17	ND ⁴	4.37	0.405	1.31	0.881
P5-2-1D	-50	39.9	6.8	<6.1	3.16	1.95	0.596	1.10	1.03
P5-2-2	-40		<2.6	15	ND	2.36	0.343	0.867	0.561
P5-2-3	-30		<2.6	14	0.917	0.233	0.422	1.24	0.821
P5-2-4	-20		<2.6	12	0.772	0.123	0.472	1.49	0.829
P5-2-5	-10		<2.6	17	1.05	ND	0.469	1.72	0.957
P5-2-6	0		<2.6	15	ND	0.727	0.556	1.63	1.04
P5-2-7	10		<2.7	<7.2	0.963	0.826	0.458	1.44	1.04
P5-2-7D	10	76.6	3.1	<5.9	4.92	0.974	0.501	1.03	0.692
P5-2-8	20		<2.7	<7.3	1.67	0.831	0.541	1.73	1.20
P5-2-9	30		<2.7	<7.4	ND	0.669	0.940	2.36	1.58

Sample ID	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-224 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-231 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³	U-235 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-2-1	1.06	0.923	ND	3.29	1.31	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-1D	ND	0.742	ND	3.61 ⁵	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.220 ⁵
P5-2-2	ND	0.565	ND	ND	0.856	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-3	0.865	0.825	ND	2.39	1.20	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-4	0.948	0.883	ND	1.98	1.42	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-5	1.47	0.907	1.88	ND	1.61	11.1	2.10	ND	ND
P5-2-6	1.61	0.899	ND	ND	1.60	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-7	1.12	0.807	ND	3.11	1.42	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-7D	ND	0.392	ND	ND	0.979	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-2-8	1.44	1.14	ND	ND	1.81	ND	ND	2.34	ND
P5-2-9	1.79	1.50	2.50	2.89	2.46	7.33	1.39	ND	ND

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- 2 All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.
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- 4 ND = Not detected.
- 5 Part of an ADS undetermined solution.

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Table C-8. Pond 5, transect P5-3 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Co-60 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-3-1	-50		5.5	<7.3	ND ⁴	ND	2.52	0.316
P5-3-1D	-50	74.3	3.1	<6.0	1.40	ND	1.66	0.335
P5-3-2	-40		<2.7	<7.3	0.832	ND	3	0.373
P5-3-3	-30		4.2	<7.3	ND	ND	5.55	0.329
P5-3-4	-20		<2.7	<7.3	0.800	ND	6	0.346
P5-3-5	-10		<2.7	<7.4	0.592	ND	1.97	0.237
P5-3-6	0		2.8	<7.4	ND	ND	0.359	0.132
P5-3-7	10		<2.7	<7.4	ND	ND	1.08	0.270
P5-3-7D	10	81.2	<2.7	<5.9	ND	ND	0.826	0.395
P5-3-8	20		<2.7	<7.2	ND	0.0604	11.7	0.384
P5-3-9	30		<2.8	<7.4	ND	ND	2.66	0.372

Sample ID	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	U-235 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-3-1	0.873	0.849	0.504	0.712	1.91	0.923	ND
P5-3-1D	0.643	0.627	ND	0.703	1.56 ⁵	0.724	0.0949 ⁵
P5-3-2	0.967	0.896	0.894	0.838	ND	1.12	0.229
P5-3-3	0.942	0.845	0.547	0.822	ND	0.958	ND
P5-3-4	0.808	0.792	0.993	0.784	3.27	1.02	ND
P5-3-5	0.447	0.466	0.440	0.433	ND	0.525	ND
P5-3-6	0.323	0.390	0.533	0.292	ND	0.350	ND
P5-3-7	0.815	0.606	0.552	0.719	ND	0.887	ND
P5-3-7D	0.935	0.372	ND	0.234	1.01 ⁵	1.01	0.0617 ⁵
P5-3-8	0.911	1.00	0.808	0.873	ND	0.997	ND
P5-3-9	0.840	0.852	0.609	0.678	ND	0.893	ND

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Table C-9. Pond 5, transect P5-4 activities.

Sample ID	Sample depth	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Co-60 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-4-1	-50		<2.7	<7.3	1.37	ND ⁴	6.49	0.352
P5-4-1D	-50	59.7	3.2	<6.2	1.83	ND	6.42	0.223
P5-4-2	-40		<2.7	<7.3	1.20	ND	5.06	0.388
P5-4-3	-30		<2.7	<7.2	1.04	ND	2.32	0.330
P5-4-4	-20		<2.7	<7.2	0.695	ND	6.53	0.373
P5-4-5	-10		<2.8	<7.4	0.687	ND	0.933	0.305
P5-4-6	0		<2.7	<7.3	ND	ND	3.66	0.364
P5-4-7	10		<2.7	110	3.48	ND	56.7	0.584
P5-4-7D	10	55.0	9.4	50	9.44	ND	73.8	0.440
P5-4-7 Phase 2	10	100 ⁵	<5.2	39	3.18	ND	43.0	0.407
P5-4-7D Phase 2	10	94.8	<10.4	71	4.09	ND	45.9	0.448
P5-4-8	20		<2.8	240	5.53	0.176	87.4	0.601
P5-4-8 Phase 2	20	100 ⁶	<4.2	49	5.37	ND	69.6	0.435
P5-4-9	30		<2.7	<7.3	1.26	ND	25.3	0.409

Sample ID	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-4-1	0.946	0.911	1.36	0.969	ND	1.02	ND
P5-4-1D	0.849	0.611	ND	0.827	ND	ND	1.52
P5-4-2	1.02	0.878	1.08	0.808	ND	1.10	ND
P5-4-3	0.883	0.765	1.09	0.741	3.08	1.01	ND
P5-4-4	1.01	0.942	0.823	0.818	ND	1.09	ND
P5-4-5	0.657	0.721	0.679	0.623	ND	0.871	ND
P5-4-6	1.14	0.686	0.905	0.825	ND	1.01	ND
P5-4-7	1.58	1.06	1.44	1.32	ND	1.47	ND
P5-4-7D	1.61	1.73	ND	1.47	ND	ND	ND
P5-4-7 Phase 2	0.978	1.07	ND	0.961	ND	1.33	ND
P5-4-7D Phase 2	1.02	0.745	ND	0.930	ND	ND	ND
P5-4-8	1.22	2	1.18	1.70	8.05	1.73	ND
P5-4-8 Phase 2	1.20	0.123	ND	1.15	ND	ND	ND
P5-4-9	1.15	1.20	0.987	1.13	ND	1.14	ND

1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.

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4 ND = Not detected.

5 Actually reported as 108.54%.

6 Actually reported as 109.56%.

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Table C-10. Pond 5, transect P5-5 activities.

Sample ID	Relative elevation (cm)	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-5-1	-50		<2.7	<7.3	1.85	18.6	0.228	0.982
P5-5-1D	-50	24.5	8.2	12	7.10	30.7	ND ⁴	0.841
P5-5-2	-40		<2.7	<7.3	ND	5.83	0.272	0.769
P5-5-3	-30		<2.7	<7.3	ND	3.46	0.144	0.356
P5-5-4	-20		<2.7	<7.4	ND	4.67	0.188	0.497
P5-5-5	-10		<2.8	<7.4	ND	1.66	0.0772	ND
P5-5-6	0		<2.7	<7.4	ND	0.872	ND	ND
P5-5-7	10		<2.8	<7.4	ND	1.18	0.0945	0.243
P5-5-7D	10	60.4	<2.7	6	0.288	1.39	ND	ND
P5-5-8	20		<2.7	<7.3	ND	0.415	0.0456	0.158
P5-5-9	30		<2.7	<7.4	ND	0.161	ND	0.0481

Sample ID	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-224 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³	Th-234 (pCi/g dry) ³	U-235 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-5-1	0.812	0.638	0.867	ND	ND	1.17	ND	ND
P5-5-1D	3.01	ND	1.82	ND	1.52 ⁵	ND	2.81	0.0927 ⁵
P5-5-2	0.717	ND	0.722	ND	ND	0.728	ND	ND
P5-5-3	0.474	ND	0.395	ND	1.87	0.474	ND	ND
P5-5-4	0.524	ND	0.444	ND	2.10	0.541	ND	ND
P5-5-5	0.199	0.352	0.220	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-5-6	0.191	ND	0.173	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-5-7	0.139	ND	0.230	2.76	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-5-7D	ND	ND	0.343	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-5-8	0.135	ND	0.117	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
P5-5-9	0.0669	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

- 1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.
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- 4 ND = Not detected.
- 5 Part of an ADS undetermined solution.

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Table C-11. Pond 5, transect P5-6 activities.

Sample ID	Percent Solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-6-1	81.1	<3	130	ND ⁴	39.1
P5-6-2	72.7	<3.1	95	4.10	56.5
P5-6-3	35.9	<3	26	ND	28.1

Sample ID	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-6-1	0.285	0.564	1.01	1.07	1.51
P5-6-2	0.347	0.818	1	0.988	ND
P5-6-3	ND	0.318	0.518	ND	ND

¹ Percent solids = 100% moisture.

² All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.

³ Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.

⁴ ND = Not detected.

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Table C-12. Pond 5, transect P5-7 activities.

Sample ID	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	Be-7 (pCi/g dry) ³	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Eu-155 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-7-1	76.7	<3	<7.7	ND ⁴	ND	0.198	ND
P5-7-2	31	<3.1	12	1.81	0.894	1.72	0.215
P5-7-3	85.6	<3.1	<8	ND	ND	0.762	ND

Sample ID	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-224 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-7-1	0.076	0.464	0.197	ND	0.210	ND	ND	ND
P5-7-2	0.752	2.24	1.33	2.85	1.35	0.0881	2.31	2.12
P5-7-3	0.176	0.472	0.407	ND	0.283	ND	ND	ND

¹ Percent solids = 100% moisture.

² All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.

³ Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.

⁴ ND = Not detected.

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Table C-13. Pond 5, location P5-8 activities.

Sample ID	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³
P5-8-1	26.6	<3.2	<8.5	0.496	0.959	0.748
P5-8-2	22.6	<3.2	20	0.562	1.16	ND ⁴
P5-8-3	20.2	<3.2	9.5	ND	1.34	ND

- 1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.
- 2 All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.
- 3 Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.
- 4 ND = Not detected.

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Table C-14. P-Reactor canal, location PC-1 activities.

Sample ID	Percent solids ¹	Gross alpha (pCi/g wet) ²	NV beta (pCi/g wet) ²	K-40 (pCi/g dry) ³	Cs-137 (pCi/g dry) ³	Tl-208 (pCi/g dry) ³
PC-1-1	85.1	<3.1	25	ND ⁴	0.137	0.397
PC-1-2	98.8	<3.1	<7.9	ND	0.865	0.287
PC-1-3	100 ⁵	<3	54	4.65	23.7	0.556

Sample ID	Pb-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Pb-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-212 (pCi/g dry) ³	Bi-214 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ra-226 (pCi/g dry) ³	Ac-228 (pCi/g dry) ³
PC-1-1	1.06	0.593	1.88	0.620	1.03 ⁶	0.938
PC-1-2	0.654	0.556	1.30	0.523	ND	0.639
PC-1-3	1.48	1.16	ND	1.42	ND	1.44

- 1 Percent solids = 100% moisture.
- 2 All gross alpha and nonvolatile (NV) beta analyses were performed by ADS and are reported as wet weight.
- 3 Isotopic analyses on samples identified with a D at the end of the sample ID were performed by ADS. The remaining analyses were performed by EMS. All are shown as dry weight.
- 4 ND = Not detected.
- 5 Actually reported as 103.9%.
- 6 Part of an ADS undetermined solution.