

Station Operations

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Overview

- Data
- Systems
- Training
- Documentation
- Additional Resources

Data – The foundation of our work

- Data collected by monitoring staff is used for:
 - CAAQS & NAAQS
 - Attainment Plans
 - Attainment Strategies
 - Air Quality Forecasting
 - Real-time Public Advisory
 - Smoke Management – Ag, Prescribed, Training
 - Research and Analysis
 - and more...

Data – The foundation of our work

- Our end product is data
 - Good quality
 - Meet regulatory requirements
 - Defensible

Quality System



Quality System

- A mechanism that ensures data is complete, accurate and of high quality that can be used for various purposes
 - Standard Operating Procedures
 - Data Quality Objectives
 - Tech Bulletins/Memorandums
 - Corrective Actions
 - Maintenance, Repair & Calibration Records
 - Automated data validation & notifications
- Maintaining this complex system is critical to demonstrate confidence and success in the data produced

Quality System

- Consistency
 - Standardized procedures
 - Remedial training
 - Attention to detail
- Monitoring Site/Equipment observations
 - Site operating conditions – Temp, RH?
 - Site organization
 - Abnormal responses from routine checks
 - Noise
 - Support equipment for monitors – sample system, communication equipment

Quality System

Fresno-Drummond - 2010



Fresno-Drummond - 2018



Quality System

Manteca – New Site - 2010



Manteca - 2018



Quality System

- Preventative Maintenance
 - Anticipate failures
 - Exceptional event impacts
 - Inventory system – Equipment & spare parts
 - Reviewing diagnostic data
 - Modifying alert systems based on historical events

Training

- Training is essential component for all staff
 - Technical Training
 - Instrument Software
 - Data Management Systems Training
 - Vendor Support Training
 - Inter-District training with other technicians
 - Video conference

Documentation



Documentation

- If it is not documented, it did not happen
 - Informative
 - Clear and concise
 - Captures details that will justify data validation/invalidation
 - Content connects with other key areas during review
 - Logbook entries
 - Repair, Maintenance, & Calibration records
 - CANs & AQDAs

Additional Resources

- Trainings After Lunch
 - Station Operations – A Day in the Life
 - Station Operations Q & A
- Google Tech Group
 - Contact Karl Tupper – ktupper@co.slo.ca.us