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45	50	The equation for TOC-normalization incorrectly states "% total organic carbon" in the denominator, when in fact the decimal fraction TOC, not percent TOC, is used. A way to express the formula so that it is more easily understood is this: ppm OC = [(ppb dry weight) / 1000] /(total organic carbon fraction). The numerator converts the chemical concentration from ppb to ppm. The denominator normalizes to the amount of TOC.
57	48, 63	Areal is misspelled. "Aerial" refers to the air. "Areal" refers to extent of area.
58	79	What is “chemical quality”?
general		No definition of “natural recovery”.
general		No definition of “ordinary high water mark” (used in definition of sediment). Why not use MHHW?
general		No definition of practical quantitation limit.
general		No definition of habitat or critical habitat.

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