

SECTION 9.0 WORK PROCESSES

9.1 Pre-sampling Requirements

Development and implementation of a sampling plan is required for all projects that produce environmental information or data. The sampling plan must align with the approved Division or Program QAPP. Sampling plans are typically approved by designated levels of Division management and by EPA counterparts, when applicable. An exception to this may be a “classic emergency” and a time-critical agenda. The sampling plan of a regulated party may be used if it meets the requirements of a Division or Program QAPP.

The DPM is responsible to ensure that those implementing the approved plan are briefed and/or trained on approved procedures.

All laboratory analyses are performed using methodologies approved and published by EPA or other accepted entity such as the ASTM.

9.2 Laboratory Coordination

UDEQ has two routine options for obtaining laboratory services:

- Use of the Utah Public Health Laboratory under a yearly sampling allocation provided by an ongoing inter-departmental agreement; or
- Procurement of services by a private commercial laboratory following of Division Purchasing rules and regulations.

All analytical work must be performed as specified in the approved QAPP and must meet minimum standards as defined in the Utah Certification Rules (R444-14).

9.3 Documentation

Any deviation in an SOP when obtaining samples of environmental media, holding samples or, analysis of samples must be documented and explained (See Section 6.4).