NSW Waterwatch ESTUARY SENIOR RESULT SHEET



Name:		Date sampled:			
Site Name:		Time sampled:			
Last rainfall: Rainfall description:	☐ within 24 hours ☐ light	□ 1-7 days □ medium	□ > 7 days □ heavy		
Comments: (weather co	onditions, visible pollution,	wildlife present, odo	ur, algae etc.)		

Test	Units	Results	Results according to the ANZECC guidelines for Estuary sites (tick the box)		
Temperature	°C			-	
рН	pH units		≤6.5 7-8.5 ≥ 9	☐ POOR ☐ HEALTHY ☐ POOR	
Electrical Conductivity* (Salinity)			< 1500 μS/cm 1510-4800 μS/cm	☐ FRESHWATER ☐ BRACKISH	
	μS/cm		> 4800-51,500 µS/cm	□ ESTUARY	
			> 51,500 µS/cm	☐ MARINE or ESTUARY (high tide)	
Turbidity			≤ 10 NTU	□ HEALTHY	
	NTU		> 15 NTU	☐ MAY AFFECT ESTUARY HEALTH	
Available Phosphate			< 0.06 mg/L	□ LOW (Excellent)	
	mg/L		0.06 - <0.15 mg/L	□ MEDIUM	
	(Same as ppm)		0.15 - <0.45 mg/L	□ HIGH	
			≥ 0.45 mg/L	□ VERY HIGH (Very Poor)	
Dissolved oxygen	mg/L		<80 % sat.	☐ POOR (water quality decrease further as % sat. decreases)	
	% saturation		80 – 110% sat.	□ VERY GOOD	
			>110% sat. (super saturation)	□ POOR	

Calculating readings in millisiemens/centimetre (mS/cm) – HIGH EC METER

If the result is given in mS/cm, then multiply your result by the dilution factor, then multiply by 1000, to return the result to measure in µS/cm.

No. on Screen	Dilution Factor	EC mS/cm	Convert to mS/cm (x1000)	* ECµS/cm
			x 1000	

Don't forget to upload your data to the NSW Waterwatch Atlas of Living Australia Database at http://root.ala.org.au/bdrs-core/nswww/home.htm