Center for Coastal Monitoring and Assessment

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Data Dictionary for Mussel Watch, Bioeffects and Special Studies Main Files

Variable	Variable Label	Description	Example
Study	Study Name	This is the study for which the given record was collected.	San Pedro Bay
NST_Sample_ID	NS&T Sample ID	This is a unique identifier defining a given sample.	BA1995BIS_001_95SED
NST_Site	NS&T Site Code	Character code that defines the NS&T site name generally based on the site's general and specific location.	BBBE

General Location	General Location	This states the general location of a site.	San Pedro Bay
Specific Location	Specific Location	This is the specific location of a site.	Southwest Slip
Fiscal_Year	Fiscal Year	The fiscal year when the sample was collected	1999
Collection_Date	Collection Date	The date when the sample was collected.	2/12/2003
Matrix	Sample Matrix	This identifies the sample matrix	Oyster
Scientific_Name	Species Name	This is usually the scientific name for the species.	Chama sinuosa
Method	Method	The method used to analyze the parameter	ECDDUAL.M

Parameter	Parameter Name	Full name of the parameter	Tin
Result	Result	The amount of the parameter in the defined sample	9.62
Unit	Unit	The unit of measurement that the result is defined in	Grams
Qualifier	Qualifier	Any qualifier qualifying the result of the parameter	Undetected

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