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Site Personnel Report – You will receive two separate e-mails with data reports this month. The first is your normal preliminary data report, and the second one details all individuals associated with your site based on our current records. Please verify the information in the personnel report, and send me any updates. Each site should have a designated primary operator and supervisor; also let me know if there are any regular backup operators at our site.

Should Additional Individuals Receive Preliminary Data Reports? By default, only designated operators and supervisors receive preliminary data reports for your site. You may designate additional individuals (ex: backup site operators, other agency representatives, etc.) who should also receive data reports.

Elevated Travel Blanks – There were many elevated travel blanks in this data set across sites. The NADP has established a travel blank acceptance limit of 0.4 µg/m³ (0.2 mg/L in the sampler extract); data above this limit are flagged. The CAL continues to develop and improve its methods to clean the Radiello bodies. While we do preliminary testing within the CAL, we don't know the full impact of our method changes until we see the samplers returned from all sites. Preliminary results show that our latest cleaning procedures result in lower blank concentrations, although we won't see the data from field sites for several weeks yet. Please let me know if you have questions or concerns.

Sample Change Dates – This is the Tuesday sample change schedule for March – April 2012.
- March 13
- March 27
- April 10
- April 24