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The requirement for pH sampling to be done with calibrated meter or probes should be removed. The use of wide range strips should be allowed. Keeping the pH instruments properly calibrated in the field is quite daunting. The required buffer solutions and their expiration dates will add a significant burden to the site operators and increase the inaccurate readings obtained in the field. The wide range strips provide a working reliable method for field staff and changing this will significantly increase costs, difficulty, and decrease the accuracy of field reporting.