

Salinity and Nutrient Management Worksheet

1. Due to salinity of wastewater for irrigation concerns, leaching is recommended to avoid sodium build up in the soil.
 - a. If the electrical conductivity of the water (C_e) is 2 millimhos/cm and the maximum allowable conductivity of the soil for the landscape (C_l) is 5 millimhos/cm. What is the leaching fraction?
 - b. If the weekly water requirement (evapotranspiration) is 1 inch. How much irrigation should be applied to avoid salinity build up in the soil?
2. The water analysis below was conducted for a sports field that uses municipal treated reclaimed water.

Nitrogen (N) = 20 ppm
Phosphorus (P) = 10 ppm
Potassium (K) = 30 ppm

If 6 inches of reclaimed water is applied a month, how much nutrients are being applied in lbs per 1000 square feet?
 - a. Nitrogen
 - b. Phosphorus
 - c. Potassium