# **Doan Brook Watershed Partnership Water Monitoring Instructions**

## Please follow ALL instructions and call the number below if you have questions.

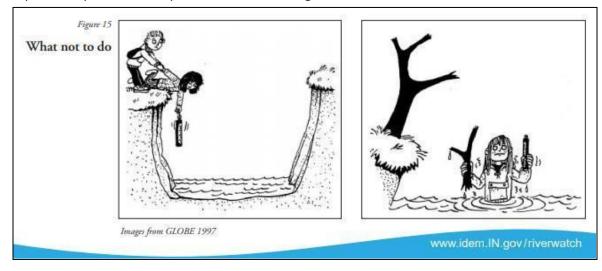
### (216) 325-7781

#### APPROACHING THE BROOK

- Safety is the primary concern. Never sample if it cannot be done safely. Sample with a friend if possible.
- On cold or rainy days refer to INCLEMENT WEATHER instructions you received in training. Do not attempt to break through ice to collect water!

### **COLLECTING A SAMPLE FROM THE BROOK**

- Obtain the Sample Bottle from the supply box.
- Rinse the bottle three times in the stream before taking a sample.
- Collect and fill the bottle with water from a free-flowing area of the brook.
- Cap the sample bottle and place it aside for testing.



# WATER TEMPERATURE, ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE, DISSOLVED OXYGEN, CONDUCTIVITY, TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS, SALINITY, AND pH

# Equipment Needed: YSI ProQuatro Multiparameter Meter with Pro Series Quatro Field Cable (pictured at right)

- 1. Push and hold the lower green button to turn the meter on.
- Place the probe on the brook bottom. If there is a riffle, place it downstream of the riffle. (If the cord is not long enough, immerse the probe into the collected sample.)
- 3. Wait at least 5 minutes for the sensor to stabilize.
- 4. Read and record the temperature in °C.
- 5. Read and record the atmospheric pressure in mmHg. Convert this value to hPa. **mmHg** x **1.33322** = **hPa**
- 6. Read and record the dissolved oxygen saturation value in %.



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- 7. Read and record the dissolved oxygen value in mg/L.
- 8. Read and record the conductivity value in µs.
- Read and record the total dissolved solids value in mg/L. Convert this value to ppt. mg/L x 24.5 = ppt
- 10. Read and record the salinity value in ppt.
- 11. REad and record the pH value.
- 12. Turn off the meter.

#### **FINAL NOTES**

- Dispose of all trash. Place the completed data sheet back in the kit. Turn off the meter.
- Remember to rinse the probe with distilled water before storing.
- Place all equipment and materials into the plastic container; you should have the following:
  - o Clipboard with the instruction sheet you're currently reading.
  - o Pen
  - Plastic gloves
  - o Sample bottle
  - o Squeeze bottle filled with distilled water
  - o YSI ProQuatro Multiparameter Meter with Pro Series Quatro Field Cable
  - o Lint free wipes
  - o Trash sandwich container

## **PLEASE NOTE AFTER SAMPLING**

- The <u>preferred data entry method</u> is to enter all data into <u>www.waterreporter.org</u>. See Water Reporter handout you received in volunteer training.
- If you cannot enter data into Water Reporter, send photos of both sides of your datasheet to <a href="mailto:info@doanbrookpartnership.org">info@doanbrookpartnership.org</a>
- If you are unable to do either data entry method above please leave the completed sheet in the kit and email or call us at 216-325-7781. Include the date and station of each sample in your email.

Thank you for all that you do to protect Doan Brook and its watershed!