The following is a technical bulletin for all EnMoDS users.

All data providers must ensure they are formatting their data properly and accurately, using correct codes.

Announcements:

- **New:** The EnMoDS Locations Map (ArcGIS Online) is now available to search for data spatially using an interactive map.
- **EDT users:** Recurring data quality issues have been identified in some submissions. These issues typically do not prevent data from being uploaded, but they reduce consistency and reliability. These issues increase the risk of inconsistent or misleading records in EnMoDS and have several implications:
  - Additional staff effort is required for reporting, analysis, and compliance review.
  - Reduced confidence in internal and publicly reported data products.
  - Errors may propagate into secondary analyses and decision-making processes.
    - Oversight burden will increase as external permittee submissions scale.

Data Entry Corrections

Please see the corrective steps and examples of the errors.

Please Note: You do not need to correct previously submitted data. You are expected to follow these corrections below from June 11th, 2026, onward.

Type	Issue Topic	What You Must Do & Error Example
Correction	Correction from May 12th bulletin	NOT_DETECTED is not a non-sampling event and is the equivalent of '<' from EMS. If a data provider enters NOT_DETECTED and leaves result value or result unit blank it will generate an error Note: NOT_DETECTED is appropriate when an analyte is tested for but not detected because it is below the method detection limit.
Clarification		Specimen names are always mandatory for lab results and should be simple, so they are easier for labs to process. E.g. 'total metals', 'dissolved metals', 'nutrients' etc.
Clarification		Activity name is optional, this only causes issues if data providers are uploading regular and surrogate results in which case, give the surrogate a name under the Activity Name column.
New	Compliance RE: deadlines	**What You Must Do** Contact ARBAdmin@gov.bc.ca if you have any questions about authorizations or concerns about deadlines.

New	Activity Name error #1	The following 2 errors require the same fix: 1. There is more than one collection method per field visit activity (aka sample). 2. PartialUpload - Issued a rollback as a partial upload was detected. Cause of partial upload: That name is already in use. Try a different name." **What You Must Do** Even though Activity Name is not a required field, the error message is saying you have multiple methods per activity the fix is to differentiate your activities by giving them different Activity Names: sample-1, sample-2, etc.
New	Activity Name error #2	If you receive the following error: ObservationFile - The collection method "Grab" of the observation does not match the collection method of the sample" **What You Must Do** Same fix as Activity Name error #1, differentiate your grab samples from other samples (e.g. time composite) by giving them different activity names.
New	Invalid Project IDs	If you receive an error saying that the Project ID is invalid. **What You Must Do** Check the list of Valid Project IDs HERE. Authorization/permit numbers are Project ID for permitted activities. Enter the number only, no prefixes or leading zeros, e.g. Correct: 1234 Incorrect: PE1234 or 001234
New	EDT: Request access message when you already have accesst	You may receive a prompt to request access if your session of EDT times out and you already have been added as an EDT user. **What You Must Do** • Do not request access again, simply log out and back in. • Clearing your browser history and incognito/private mode are also good practices.

TIPS:

EDT USERS:

1. Make sure to remove extra whitespace from any entry in your data. For example, the entry for project "TEST " will not match the project "TEST" in EnMoDS.

2. Make sure to label your activities and specimen as much as possible. Several errors in files are simply associated with blank activities and specimen names. Specifically, use different activity name for normal and surrogate results.
3. Some users are receiving message on login that they do not have access to EDT or the website does not load. This is likely a caching issue. Using Incognito mode to login resolves this issue.

System Fixes and Enhancements:

Awareness of system fixes applied. Upgrades to features/functionality.

Note: All critical or serious outages will be posted on the website banners, including instructions and when they are resolved.

Topic	Date Fixed/Status	Impacted Users	What Users Must Do
SYSTEM FIXES			
Some user files were stuck in progress in the system	Almost all of the underlying bugs have been resolved. We are working on fixing the remaining issues.	EDT Users	n/a
Field visit errors did not let the user know of the existing field visit in the system	Issue has been resolved.	EDT Users	Please match your field visit time to this time to resolve the issue.
EDT time out issue. Users receive a "request access" prompt instead of a notification about session time-out.	Under investigation	EDT Users	n/a
ENHANCEMENTS			
None at this time			

WHAT'S NEXT:

- **FAQs** – will be incorporated into the applicable user guides that are currently being finalized and will be published. Another bulletin will be sent notifying when they are available.

- **Updated Training for Continuous Data Users** – scheduling is being determined and invites will be sent with as much advanced notice as possible.

Thank you for patience and helping to ensure that our data is accurate and reliable. Contact EnMoDSHelp@gov.bc.ca if you require further assistance.

Sincerely,

EnMoDS HelpDesk