# Center for Coastal Monitoring and Assessment

## Mussel Watch Project

## Data Dictionary for the "BSsites" File: SITES

| Variable | Variable Label | Description | Example |
|---|---|---|---|
| NST_SITE | NS&T Site Code | A 3 to 6 character code which defines the NS&T sampling site name. The code are generally chosen from the site's general and specific location. | BBBE |
| GEN_LOC | General Location | A name like "Chesapeake Bay" which describes the general location of the NS&T Site. | Chesapeake Bay |
| SPEC_LOC | Specific Location | A more precise location name where a sample was collected (eg "Dandy Point" in Chesapeake Bay). | Dandy Point |
| LAT_DD | Latitude (decimal degrees) | Latitude in decimal degrees usually expressed to 5 decimal places. | 47.25687 |
| LON_DD | Longitude (decimal degrees) | Longitude in decimal degrees usually expressed to 5 decimal places. | -119.25687 |
| ST | State Abbreviation | An abbreviation for the US State or Territory where a NS&T sampling location resides. | MD |
| Reg_Cd | Region Code | Region code is a 1 or 2 character code which defines the geographic region. | G |
| EDASUB | Estuarine Drainage (Sub.code) | NOAA's Coastal Assessment Framework 5-digit Watershed Code | M130f |

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