

Water Quality Report for Irrigation

EFMA Primary Network

Lab results			Water Quality for Irrigation (annex XVI, DL n.º 236/98)
Parameters	Units	Results	
Responsible Laboratory: ALS Life Sciences Portugal, S.A.			
(Bulletin nº 65801/2024)			
Alkalinity	mg/L CaCO ₃	107	
Ammonium	mg/L NH ₄	0,08	
Nitrogen Kjeldahl	mg/L N	0,58	
Total Nitrogen	mg/L N	0,6	
Bicarbonates	mg/L CO ₃ H-	131	(a)
Boron	mg/L B	0,0287	●
Calcium	mg/L Ca	34,6	
Chloride	mg/L Cl	68	●
Total Hardness	mg/L CaCO ₃	166	
Total Iron (b)	mg/L Fe	0,108	●
Phosphates	mg/L P ₂ O ₅	0,043	
Total Phosphorus	mg/L P	0,019	
Magnesium	mg/L Mg	19,3	
Manganese	mg/L Mn	0,0349	●
Nitrates	mg/L NO ₃	<L.Q.	●
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Potassium	mg/L K	7,3	
Ratio of Sodium Absorption (SAR)		1,413	●
Ratio of Sodium Absorption adjusted (SARaj)		1,411	
Sodium	mg/L Na	41,9	
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	315	●
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	4,3	●
Sulphates	mg/L CO ₄	61,2	●
Total Coliforms	UFC/100 mL	22	
Fecal Coliforms	UFC/100 mL	16	●

Note: With the exception of the SARaj parameter, test to determine the remaining parameters are included in the range of laboratory accreditation.

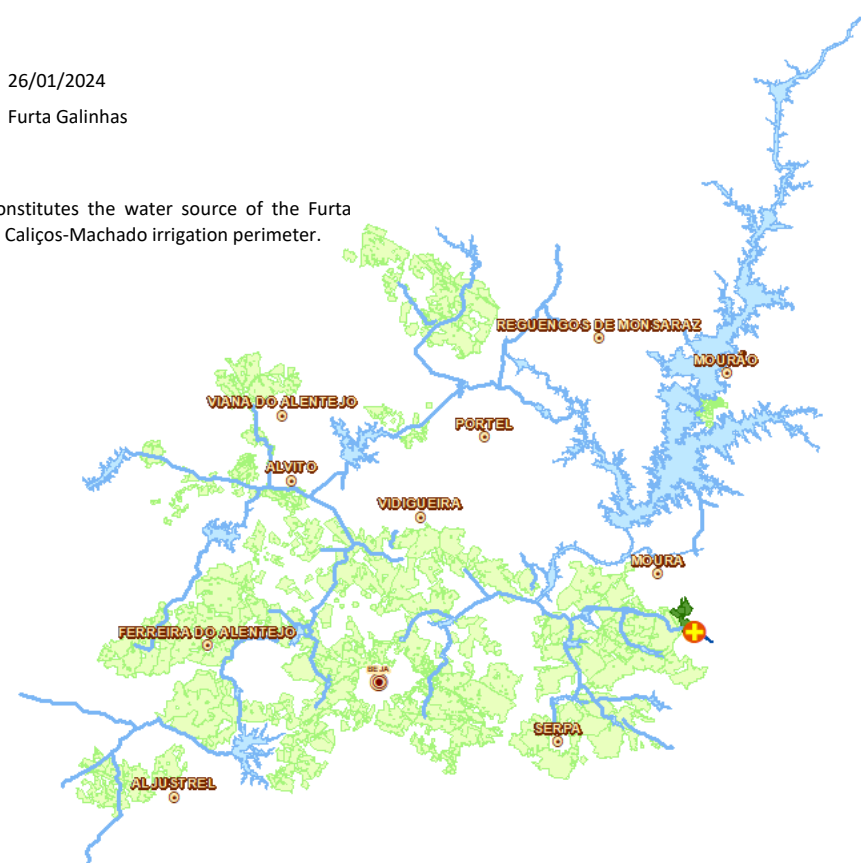
Field Results (Determined with a multiparameter probe)			Water Quality for Irrigation (annex XVI, DL n.º 236/98)
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Temperature	°C	13,0	
pH	Escala Sorensen	8,3	●
Conductivity	µS/cm	568	●

- Lower than the VMR (Maximum Value Recommended).
- Higher than VMR and below the VMA (Maximum Permitted Value).
- Higher than VMR. For this parameter is not defined one VMA.
- Higher than the VMA.

(a) The maximum value recommended in the Integrated Production Standards, for most crops, is 90 mg / L.
(b) The VMA in Annex XVI of the Decree-Law nº 236/98 refers to the dissolved iron (5 mg/L Fe).

Sampling Data: 26/01/2024
Sampling Place: Furta Galinhas

Benefited areas:
The Furta Galinhas reservoir constitutes the water source of the Furta Galinhas block, integrated in the Caliços-Machado irrigation perimeter.



Comments:
The bicarbonate values exceed the maximum value recommended in the Integrated Production Standards. High concentrations of bicarbonates can affect crop yields, making it difficult to absorb some mineral nutrients.
The results of the remaining elements are within the range of expected values for this typology of water bodies.
In the document "Water Quality - Complementary Information", EDIA recommends some general measures to reduce the concentration of salts in the water bodies.