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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	<p>Abstract: There is the need to discuss LEAD in the abstract stating the levels of the top, mid and bottom as measured. Indicate whether these levels are allowed environmentally or not.</p> <p>Nomenclature used should be uniform that is Bottom, Middle and Upper or Top, Mid and Bottom.</p> <p>The direct influence of LEAD in the concentration of soil nutrient levels need to be spelt out clearly in the discussions.</p> <p>Conclusion should indicate the effect of LEAD on soil plant nutrients and the acceptable limits required.</p>	<p>This has been addressed in the corrected manuscript.</p> <p>The nomenclatures have been corrected accordingly.</p> <p>The figures 1 – 5 presented in corrected manuscript have spelt out influence of lead on the studied elements.</p> <p>This has been addressed.</p>
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	None	
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