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On April 2, 2020 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of the local municipalities, City of Toronto, Regional Municipality of Peel, and the Ontario Chief Drinking Water Inspector (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks).

The original staff report is attached for your information.

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Regards,

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## The Regional Municipality of York

Committee of the Whole Environmental Services March 12, 2020

Report of the Commissioner of Environmental Services

## **2019 Drinking Water Systems Report**

## 1. Recommendation

The Regional Clerk circulate this report to the Clerks of the local municipalities, City of Toronto, Regional Municipality of Peel, and the Ontario Chief Drinking Water Inspector (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks).

## 2. Summary

This report and attachments satisfy the Council reporting requirements for water quantity and compliance in *Ontario Regulation* 170/03 – *Drinking Water Systems*, and supports Council in meeting statutory standard of care requirements under the *Safe Drinking Water Act,* 2002 (the Act).

Key Points:

- In 2019, 99.98% of the 17,920 laboratory analyzed samples and 99.99% of 39.5 million continuous monitoring analyzer readings were within regulated standards and confirm York Region's high quality drinking water. All adverse results were addressed and reported. Additional information on 2019 adverse results is found in Attachment 1
- In 2019, all Ministry inspections at the Region's 15 drinking water systems scored 100%. Additional information on all 2019 calendar year inspections is found in Attachment 2
- York Region received excellent scores in the Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Annual Report Card for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, with a score of 100% for water samples meeting Ontario's drinking water quality standards, and an overall average inspection and sample score of 99.54%
- Drinking water systems operated within permitted volume and capacity limits. Additional information is found in Attachment 3
- Advanced systems monitoring, controls, and a multi-barrier approach protect drinking water and public health

## 3. Background

# York Region complies with the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002* to protect public health through drinking water

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (the Ministry) regulates municipal drinking water systems in Ontario. The Act was developed to address factors that led to the Walkerton tragedy. As a result, Ontario now has some of the safest drinking water in the world.

The Act requires municipalities to report annually on drinking water. It also imposes a standard of care upon Municipal Council members. Council protects the people in their communities by ensuring financial sustainability, asset management, risk mitigation, and continual improvement for the Region's water systems.

This report summarizes 2019 calendar year drinking water systems information:

- Water quality and water quantity performance
- Reported adverse water quality events and corrective actions (Attachment 1)
- Summary of 2019 Ministry inspection findings and corrective actions (Attachment 2)
- Summary of 2019 performance data for each drinking water system (Attachment 3)
- Summary of 2019 monetary expenses for each drinking water system (Attachment 4)

# York Region partners with Public Health, its nine local municipalities, and neighbouring municipalities to provide safe drinking water

Within York Region, water is delivered through a two-tiered water system. The Region operates and maintains 15 drinking water supply systems, which provide water to the nine local municipalities. Our local municipal partners maintain their distribution systems to distribute the high quality water to residents and businesses.

Environmental Services and Public Health maintain a 24/7 response system to address potential water quality issues. Public Health assesses potential health impacts from all adverse water quality test results. There were no follow up corrective actions required in 2019. No boil water advisories or drinking water avoidance advisories due to water quality concerns have been ordered by Public Health in over a decade. Procedures are in place to ensure close cooperation with Public Health, local municipalities, and the Ministry to ensure effective communication and protect public health for all water quality concerns.

In 2019, the media profiled concerns about lead content in drinking water tested across Canada. Lead is not detected in York Region's drinking water systems, because the Region does not have any lead water service lines.

# Multi-barrier approach to risk management protects drinking water systems and public health

The multi-barrier approach proactively protects drinking water quality and safety, and informs corrective actions when required. Elements of this approach include Source Water Protection, training of operators, a Drinking Water Quality Management Standard, and a strict Provincial Inspection and Enforcement Program.

## Source Protection Program prevents contamination of Ontario's drinking water

Staff continue to identify, mitigate, and report current and future threats to drinking water sources as required by the *Clean Water Act, 2006.* York Region's Drinking Water Source Protection Program identifies and manages potential threats to drinking water. Continued focus areas in 2020 include:

- Requiring proposed developments in vulnerable areas to plan carefully to ensure the safety of our immediate and long term drinking water supply
- Delivery of the Source Water Protection Incentive Program which encourages and supports businesses to make changes to protect drinking water sources. In 2019, over \$11,500 was provided to local businesses through the incentive program to implement risk management measures
- Working together with the Province, local and neighbouring municipalities, and Conservation Authorities, to align our programs and plans to ensure consistent, effective, and successful protection of all sources of drinking water

# Provincially mandated training provides staff with required knowledge to sustain high performing water and wastewater systems

York Region continues to develop and participate in top quality operator training. The training program is tailored to ensure operators receive required provincially standardized education, and on-the-job training that translates regulatory requirements to operational needs. The training program ensures staff are equipped to competently and efficiently manage drinking water systems in compliance with applicable rules and best practices.

# Drinking Water Quality Management Standard is a tool for driving continual improvement

The Region manages a statutory quality standard that protects public health through consistent practices for managing and operating water systems, and by proactively identifying and mitigating risks. It is also a tool for identifying and resolving inefficiencies through process and procedure updates. The 2020 Integrated Management System Update Report, also on today's agenda, provides more information.

## Provincial inspections and enforcement assess compliance

York Region facilities are regularly inspected by the Ministry to confirm compliance with regulations, licenses, permits and Ministry procedures. Staff maintains a positive working relationship with regulators to identify and mitigate risks identified in our watersheds.

### York Region's data management supports industry-leading water operations

Online instruments and a comprehensive sampling program generate mountains of data about the performance of drinking water systems. Automated data analysis processes save staff time by comparing the data against environmental regulations and prompting staff to follow up as appropriate. Empowering staff with the right tools, technology, and training allows them to dig into data that supports our industry-leading drinking water operations.

An added benefit of the data management processes is the minimal effort required to share meaningful datasets on the Region's website. The interactive report found on <u>york.ca</u> provides an engaging and effective way for anyone to learn about the Region's drinking water systems. Citizen scientists also have the option to download the reported data from the Region's Open Data site. Website statistics show that more people access and download this data every year. Easy to access and transparent data supports the Strategic Plan Objective of "Maintaining public confidence in Regional government" and the Vision 2051 goal of "Open and Responsive Governance".

## 4. Analysis

## WATER QUALITY

## 99.98% of laboratory samples met limits in 2019, and results confirm York Region's high quality drinking water continues to be safe

The comprehensive sampling program includes both regulatory and research samples, and is updated in response to operational needs and regulatory changes. In 2019, the York-Durham Environmental Laboratory performed 17,920 water quality tests for York Region's drinking water systems, resulting in four adverse test results. This means 99.98% of all samples collected and analyzed by the laboratory in 2019 were within regulated standards. The laboratory initiates a notification process when analysis indicates a parameter is outside regulatory limits. Staff responded to each adverse test result and performed corrective actions accordingly. There were no risks to public health as a result of these adverse events.

Table 1 summarizes the laboratory analyzed water quality test results reported as adverse water quality events in 2019. Attachment 1 summarizes all reported adverse water quality events.

## Table 1

## Adverse Water Quality Events Reported from Laboratory Analyzed Samples in 2019

Parameter, Drinking Water System (DWS) and Number of Occurrences	Summary of Reported Sample Results and Corrective Actions Taken
Microbiological <ul> <li>Holland Landing DWS (2)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Total Coliform bacteria detected in two separate samples collected from the Holland Landing East Elevated Tank in June 2019</li> </ul>
	• Resample results and ongoing weekly sampling results confirm these tests were an anomaly
	• For due diligence, staff also reviewed sample collection and handling procedures
Sodium <ul> <li>Aurora DWS (1)</li> <li>King City DWS (1)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sodium levels between 22 and 26.7 mg/L were reported in April for two storage facilities – the King City Dufferin Elevated Tank and the Aurora North Elevated Tank</li> </ul>
	• The reporting standard is once every 57 months for results exceeding 20 mg/L. Health Canada's guideline for sodium in drinking water is an aesthetic taste objective of 200 mg/L
	Operators resampled these facilities to confirm sodium levels were meeting the aesthetic taste objective

# Continuous monitoring analyzers and online equipment safeguard drinking water delivered to residents

In addition to sampling conducted by operators, 376 online analyzers continuously monitor system performance, creating approximately 39.5 million records in 2019. Online analyzers continuously monitor several water quality parameters, including chlorine residual, which is an indicator of disinfection level. Analyzers and other online equipment are calibrated regularly by trained operators and technicians.

The system records point-in-time measurements from highly sensitive analyzers. When a potential issue is detected, a facility alarm is triggered and flow is stopped. Control panel operators monitor the system and dispatch operators to respond to alarms or unusual trends. Facilities can only restart after an operator attends the site to inspect the equipment, manually test the water, and complete any other required corrective actions to confirm water quality. Because the analyzers are sensitive and trigger facility shut down quickly, disinfection level analyzer readings that are reported as adverse do not always represent the overall disinfection level of water in the distribution system.

# Online monitoring system and analyzer readings showed over 99.99% compliance with Regulatory limits for water safety parameters

Of the 39.5 million analyzer readings in 2019, staff reported 34 adverse water quality events. Most self-corrected or required minor equipment adjustment, and required no operator intervention aside from confirming drinking water was safe through on-site tests and restarting the facility operation. There were no risks to public health as a result of these adverse events.

Table 2 summarizes the continuously monitored analyzer readings reported as adverse water quality events in 2019. Attachment 1 summarizes all reported adverse water quality events.

Parameter, Drinking Water System (DWS) and Number of Occurrences	Summary of Reported Results and Corrective Actions
High Disinfection Level (combined chlorine)	<ul> <li>Most high residual events resulted from temporary, minor equipment errors or maintenance</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Aurora DWS (5)</li> <li>Holland Landing DWS (1)</li> <li>Kleinburg DWS (1)</li> <li>Newmarket DWS (5)</li> </ul>	• Many of the high residual events occurred at facilities operating near the upper regulatory limit in targeted areas. This practice helps to optimize water quality in the farthest parts of the distribution system
<ul> <li>Schomberg DWS (8)</li> <li>Sharon/Queensville DWS (1)</li> <li>York DWS (Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan) (2)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Corrective actions for high disinfection level include collecting grab samples and recalibrating analyzers</li> </ul>
Low Disinfection Level (free chlorine, primary disinfection)	<ul> <li>Low disinfection events were caused by process issues where analyzers briefly received no water or</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Mount Albert DWS (1)</li> <li>Newmarket DWS (3)</li> <li>Stouffville DWS (1)</li> </ul>	previously disinfected water. In each case, these readings did not reflect the true quality of the drinking water at that moment
	<ul> <li>Corrective actions included collecting grab samples and restoring normal operation of the facility to ensure the analyzer was receiving appropriate process water</li> </ul>

# Table 2

## Adverse Water Quality Events Reported from Continuous Monitoring Analyzer Readings in 2019

Parameter, Drinking Water System (DWS) and Number of Occurrences	Summary of Reported Results and Corrective Actions
<ul><li>High Fluoride Level</li><li>Georgina DWS (2)</li><li>Keswick DWS (3)</li></ul>	• Fluoride is continuously monitored at the Georgina and Keswick Water Treatment Plants, where it is applied within the optimal range recommended by the Medical Officer of Health
	<ul> <li>If fluoride is read as exceeding operational limits, the facility immediately stops directing water to the distribution system</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If required, an operator may backflush the system to prevent water from leaving the facility and restore the correct fluoride dose</li> </ul>
Low System Pressure	<ul> <li>Low water pressure has the potential to introduce foreign materials into the distribution system</li> </ul>
• Newmarket DVVS (1)	• A low pressure incident occurred in Newmarket due to a watermain break. The break was repaired, disinfected and flushed. Disinfection was restored, and microbiological sampling results confirmed no contamination

## **2019 CALENDAR YEAR MINISTRY INSPECTIONS**

## In 2019, all 16 drinking water system inspections scored 100%

In the 2019 calendar year, all Ministry inspections scored 100%. There were 16 inspections completed for the Region's 15 drinking water systems. Attachment 2 outlines the 2019 calendar year inspection results. There were no non-compliance findings identified, and Ministry staff included some best management practice recommendations to improve system efficiency and performance.

## **CHIEF DRINKING WATER INSPECTOR 2018-2019 RATINGS**

## York Region received high scores in the Greater Toronto Area for the Ontario Chief Drinking Water Inspector's 2018-2019 Annual Report

Ontario's Chief Drinking Water Inspector releases an annual report, which rates all regulated drinking water systems in Ontario. Reporting timelines are based on the Ministry's previous fiscal year from April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. York Region achieved high scores for inspections and for samples meeting provincial water quality standards. In the 2018-2019 Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Report, York Region's combined average score was 99.54%. The City of Toronto and Peel Region, which supply the majority of York Region's drinking water, also received high scores. Table 3 outlines the scores for GTA municipalities.

## Table 3

Municipality	Inspection Rating (%)		Water Quality Tests Meeting Standards (%)		Overall Score (%)	
-	2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019	2017-2018	2018-2019
York Region*	98.45	99.09	99.89	100.00	99.17	99.54
Durham Region*	98.14	99.65	99.81	99.84	98.98	99.74
Peel Region*	98.08	98.47	99.93	99.88	99.00	99.17
City of Toronto*	95.00	99.00	99.55	99.79	97.27	99.39
Provincial Average	98.64	98.45	99.78	99.83	99.21	99.14

## Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 2017-2019 Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Annual Report Scores

\*Average of scores for all drinking water systems within municipality

York Region achieved an overall inspection rating of 99.09% in the Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Report. Twelve of the 15 inspections conducted from April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 scored 100%. Non-compliances found in three inspections were identified and promptly addressed. There were no risks to public health relating to the inspection findings identified by the Ministry. Details on 2018 inspections are found in <u>the 2018 Drinking Water Systems</u> report to Council on March 7, 2019.

York Region achieved an overall sample compliance rating of 100% in the Chief Drinking Water Inspector's Report for laboratory analyzed samples meeting the requirements of the *O.Reg.169/03: Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards*. This is based on laboratory sampling conducted from April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. Details on 2018 adverse water quality incidents are found in <u>the 2018 Drinking Water Systems report to Council on March 7, 2019</u>.

## WATER VOLUME AND CAPACITY

# All drinking water systems operated within permitted water volume and capacity limits

In 2019, York Region's drinking water systems operated within the monthly average flow, maximum daily withdrawal and allowable daily withdrawal limits.

York Region continues to maintain compliance with:

- The Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002 and its regulations
- Terms and conditions of the Region's Permits to Take Water and supply agreements with the City of Toronto and Peel Region
- Permitted Intra-Basin Transfer volumes for water taken from (and returned to) Lake Ontario, for communities in the Lake Huron watershed

York Region continues to ensure sufficient drinking water capacity for the Region's growing population. Attachment 3 illustrates important data about the amount of water taken from each water source. This data informs decision making regarding long-term, reliable water sourcing, and helps ensure there is adequate water available for fire protection. Maximum permitted volumes support forecasted population growth to 2031. Long-term water demands will be refined in the updated Water and Wastewater Master Plan which is currently underway.

## 5. Financial

# Effective and comprehensive asset management is critical to delivering reliable and sustainable water services

York Region delivers high quality drinking water in a safe and cost effective manner. In December 2019, Environmental Services presented the 2020 to 2022 budget and operating outlook. In addition to funding to maintain assets that are wholly owned and maintained by York Region, many projects are cost-shared with the Regional Municipality of Peel and the City of Toronto. These investments support long-term drinking water safety and supply reliability. Effective asset and infrastructure management is critical to the Region's ability to deliver services and sustain our growing communities. The 2020 Capital and Operating budget report and presentation, presented to Council on December 5, 2019, shares information on how asset management is funded.

In October 2015, Council approved 2016-2021 water and wastewater rates. The plan was implemented commencing in April 2016, and the Region is on track to achieving full cost recovery pricing by 2021, which will eliminate shortfalls in asset management funding. In the 10 year Capital Plan tabled on November 21, 2019, asset management projects for water rehabilitation and replacement totaled \$300.6 million.

# York Region spent \$14.0 million in 2019 to maintain and improve drinking water systems

The Drinking Water Systems regulation requires water utility owners to "describe any major expenses incurred during the period covered by the report to install, repair or replace required equipment."

In 2019, York Region spent \$14.0 million installing, repairing or replacing equipment used to treat, store and deliver safe drinking water. These rate-supported costs are funded through the Environmental Services water budget, as approved annually by Council. These expenses do not include operational costs or salaries, and are summarized in Attachment 4.

## 6. Local Impact

# York Region and its nine local municipalities work together to distribute high quality drinking water

Water quality standards are maintained through collaboration between York Region and the nine local municipalities. Although ownership and operation of the water systems is two-tiered, the Region and the local municipalities coordinate operation of highly efficient systems to provide safe and uninterrupted water supply to our customers. In 2019, the Regional Water Quality Committee developed a new set of internal quality objectives for new watermain acceptance based on industry standards and a review of surrounding municipalities. This committee will focus upcoming efforts on distribution system maintenance, monitoring, and water quality best practices, to look for opportunities to further improve system performance and inter-municipal cooperation.

## 7. Conclusion

This report and attachments satisfy the Council reporting requirements in *Ontario Regulation* 170/03 – *Drinking Water Systems*, and supports Council in meeting statutory standard of care requirements under the *Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*. The drinking water quality and systems data, posted on <u>york.ca/opendata</u> and on <u>york.ca/drinkingwater</u>, satisfies the public-facing water quality and systems information reporting requirements under the Act. It demonstrates the Region's commitment to operational excellence through continual improvement, while also fulfilling our obligation to communicate performance to Council, stakeholders and the public. Council is able to demonstrate due diligence required for decision-making under their statutory standard of care by reviewing and considering the information contained in this report when exercising decision-making authority.

York Region's drinking water systems must comply with strict provincial regulations to keep public drinking water safe. Results from the 2019 reporting year continue to demonstrate the compliant and excellent performance of York Region's drinking water systems.

For more information on this report, please contact David Szeptycki, Director of Strategy and Innovation, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75723, or Roy Huetl, Director of Operations, Maintenance and Monitoring, at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 75323. Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.

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February 27, 2020 Attachments (4) 10341022

# 2019 SUMMARY OF ADVERSE WATER QUALITY INCIDENTS AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the York Region Medical Officer of Health were satisfied with corrective actions taken for all events in the summary below and had no further direction.

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine Residual > 4.0 mg/L	Apr 06	5.00 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
(Regulatory Relief Sites)	May 16	4.10 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	May 20	4.22 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	May 31	5.00 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Oct 21	9.99 mg/L	Reported as due diligence. Operator attended site. Facility returned to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
Sodium > 20.0 mg/L	Apr 17	23.0 mg/L	Operator attended site. Resample taken.

### Aurora Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

## **Georgina Drinking Water System**

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Fluoride > 1.5 mg/L	Mar 18	2.0 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Jun 20	2.0 mg/L	Reported as due diligence. Operator attended site. Facility returned to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## Holland Landing Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine Residual > 4.0 mg/L (Regulatory Relief Sites)	Jul 23	6.36 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
Presence of Total coliform	Jun 05	Present	Operator attended site. Resample taken. Resample result non-detectable for total coliform.
	Jun 26	Present	Operator attended site. Resample taken. Resample result non-detectable for total coliform.

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Fluoride > 1.5 mg/L	Jan 24	1.6 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Feb 13	1.65 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Dec 05	1.51 mg/L	Reported as due diligence. Operator attended site. Facility returned to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## Keswick Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

## King City Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Sodium > 20.0 mg/L	Apr 03	26.7 mg/L	Operator attended site. Resample taken.

## Kleinburg Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine Residual > 3.0 mg/L	Sep 30	4.05 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## **Mount Albert Drinking Water System**

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Free Chlorine Residual < 0.05 mg/L	Mar 10	0.00 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## Newmarket Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine	Jan 25	4.37 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
(Regulatory Relief Sites)	Feb 22	4.03 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Feb 24	4.30 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Oct 09	4.14 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Nov 19	4.62 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
Primary disinfection not met	Jan 24	0.03 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Jan 26	0.07 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Jan 28	0.03 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
System Pressure < 20 psi	Sep 19	< 20 PSI	Watermain break was repaired, disinfected, and flushed. Microbiological samples confirmed no contamination.

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action			
Combined Chlorine Residual > 3.0 mg/L .	Feb 27	3.08 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation			
	May 11	3.02 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
	May 14	3.16 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
-	Jul 25	3.06 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
	Aug 24	3.03 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
	Oct 05	3.07 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
	Oct 10	3.10 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			
	Nov 20	3.06 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.			

## Schomberg Drinking Water System

## Sharon/Queensville Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine Residual > 4.0 mg/L (Regulatory Relief Sites)	May 25	12.39 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## Stouffville Sub-System (York Drinking Water System)

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Free Chlorine Residual < 0.05 mg/L	Mar 16	0.05 mg/L	Reported as due diligence. Operator attended site. Facility returned to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

## York Drinking Water System: Markham, Richmond Hill, Vaughan

Incident Description	Date	Test Result	Corrective Action
Combined Chlorine Residual > 3.0 mg/L	Jun 01	4.26 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.
	Oct 26	3.17 mg/L	Operator attended site, restored facility to normal operation. Compliant grab sample taken.

# SUMMARY OF 2019 INSPECTION FINDINGS AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

System Name and Inspection Date	Inspection Score (%)	Summary of Findings and Corrective Actions
Municipality: Aurora		
Aurora DWS (York DWS sub-system) June 3, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings from this inspection. There was one best management practice recommendation to review procedures and train contracted staff on the importance of protecting wells during maintenance and rehabilitation. Staff reviewed procedures to confirm regulatory requirements are reflected, and communicated the importance of protecting wells during maintenance and rehabilitation with the contractors.
Municipality: East Gwi	llimbury	
Holland Landing DWS (York DWS sub-system) July 11, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Mount Albert DWS May 16, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
<b>Sharon/Queensville</b> <b>DWS</b> (York DWS sub-system) February 13, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings from this inspection. There was one best management practice recommendation to assess the effectiveness of the Region's keyed entry system to ensure operators have access to facilities at all times. Staff assessed the effectiveness of the keyed entry system to ensure operator access to facilities at all times.
Sharon/Queensville DWS (York DWS sub-system) September 26, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Municipality: King		
Ansnorveldt DWS June 13, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
King City DWS (York DWS sub-system) November 13, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Nobleton DWS April 10, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Schomberg DWS May 24, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings from this inspection. There was one best management practice recommendation to update some administrative details in the System's Drinking Water Works Permit when it is renewed. Staff updated the administrative details during the Permit renewal process.
Municipality: Newmar	ket	
Newmarket DWS (York DWS sub-system) July 23, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings from this inspection. There were two best management practice recommendations; one to ensure all the chemicals required for the system are stored in a secondary spill containment and the other to ensure all wells on the property are secure and free from damage. Staff moved the treatment chemicals to be stored within secondary spill containment, and the minor damage observed on the monitoring well was repaired the same day as the inspector and staff continue to check wells on the property during

site visits.

# SUMMARY OF 2019 INSPECTION FINDINGS AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

## System Name and Inspection Summary of Findings and Corrective Actions

## Inspection Date Score (%)

Municipality: Georgina		
Keswick DWS (Georgina DWS sub- system) January 15, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings from this inspection. There was one best management practice recommendation to assess the effectiveness of the Region's keyed entry system to ensure operators have access to facilities at all times. Staff assessed the effectiveness of the keyed entry system to ensure operator access to facilities at all times.
Georgina DWS and Georgina Water Treatment Plant August 27, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Municipality: Vaughan		
Kleinburg DWS (York DWS sub-system) June 5, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Municipality: Vaughan,	Richmon	d Hill, Markham
York Distribution System (part of the York DWS) February 8, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
Municipality: Whitchurc	h-Stouffv	ille
Ballantrae- Musselman's Lake DWS April 25, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.
<b>Stouffville DWS</b> (York DWS sub-system) November 18, 2019	100	There were no non-compliance findings or best management practice recommendations from this inspection.

# 2019 PERFORMANCE DATA SUMMARIES FOR YORK REGION'S DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS (DWS)

### 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Ansnorveldt DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Ansnorveldt DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Ansnorveldt DWS.



#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal



### 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Aurora DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Aurora DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water withdrawn from wells (but not directed to users) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Aurora DWS.



#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal



## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Ballantrae/Musselman's Lake DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Ballantrae/Musselman's Lake DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Ballantrae/Musselman's Lake DWS.



#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal



## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Georgina DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Georgina DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Georgina DWS.



#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

Georgina Water Treatment Plant			14,930,000 L on May 17 (30% of 50,000,000 L/day permitted)	0	Days Oper Peak Capa
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## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Holland Landing DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Holland Landing DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Holland Landing DWS.



### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal



## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Keswick DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Keswick DWS.



#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Keswick DWS.

![](_page_22_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

	6,338,000 L on May 03 (35% of 18,150,000 L/day permitted)	0	Days Ope Peak Capa
		6,338,000 L on May 03 (35% of 18,150,000 L/day permitted)	6,338,000 L on May 03 (35% of 18,150,000 L/day permitted)

![](_page_22_Figure_10.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | King City DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the King City DWS.

![](_page_23_Figure_3.jpeg)

### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water withdrawn from wells (but not directed to users) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the King City DWS.

![](_page_23_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_23_Figure_9.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Kleinburg DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Kleinburg DWS.

![](_page_24_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water withdrawn from wells (but not directed to users) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Kleinburg DWS.

![](_page_24_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

The following chart shows the maximum volume of water withdrawn in a single day from each water supply facility (blue bar) compared to the maximum withdrawal permitted by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (grey bar). Also shown to the right is the number of days where the water supply facilities were operating at peak capacity (greater than 80% of the permitted withdrawal).

![](_page_24_Figure_9.jpeg)

Days Operating at Peak Capacity (Annual)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Mount Albert DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Mount Albert DWS.

![](_page_25_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Mount Albert DWS.

![](_page_25_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_25_Figure_9.jpeg)

### 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Newmarket DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Newmarket DWS.

![](_page_26_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water withdrawn from wells (but not directed to users) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Newmarket DWS.

![](_page_26_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_26_Figure_9.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Nobleton DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Nobleton DWS.

![](_page_27_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Nobleton DWS.

![](_page_27_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_27_Figure_9.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Schomberg DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Schomberg DWS.

![](_page_28_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Schomberg DWS.

![](_page_28_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_28_Figure_9.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Sharon/Queensville DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Sharon/Queensville DWS.

![](_page_29_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Sharon/Queensville DWS.

![](_page_29_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_29_Figure_9.jpeg)

## 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | Stouffville DWS

#### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from treatment and distribution facilities in the Stouffville DWS.

![](_page_30_Figure_3.jpeg)

#### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the average flow of water produced (treated) in litres per day (L/day) each month in the Stouffville DWS.

![](_page_30_Figure_6.jpeg)

#### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Withdrawal

![](_page_30_Figure_9.jpeg)

# 2019 Water Quality & Capacity Summary | York DWS

### Vaughan | Richmond Hill | Markham

### **Top Requested Water Quality Parameters**

Drinking water is monitored for a wide range of chemical parameters through a combination of continuous monitoring by online analyzers and routine grab samples by operators. The following annual average concentrations in milligrams per litre (mg/L) were reported from distribution facilities in the York DWS.

![](_page_31_Figure_4.jpeg)

### System Monthly Average Flow

The following chart shows the monthly average consumption in million litres per day of purchased Lake Ontario water.

![](_page_31_Figure_7.jpeg)

### Permitted and Actual Maximum Daily Flow

The City of Toronto and Peel Region supply water to York Region under water supply agreements. The following chart shows the maximum volume of water purchased from each municipality in a single day (blue bar) compared to the maximum flow permitted under the applicable water supply agreement (grey bar).

![](_page_31_Figure_10.jpeg)

## 2019 SUMMARY OF EXPENSES TO INSTALL, REPAIR OR REPLACE REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

This summary fulfills reporting requirement under *Ontario Regulation 170/03 – Drinking Water Systems* to summarize any major expenses incurred to install, repair or replace required equipment. Operating costs are not reflected in these totals.

Drinking Water System	Description of Monetary Expenses	Total
Ansnorveldt DWS	General maintenance and repairs.	\$3,428
Aurora DWS	Groundwater management works, well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, pumping station repairs, general maintenance and repairs.	\$357,314
Ballantrae/Musselman's Lake DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, general maintenance and repairs.	\$48,464
Georgina DWS	General maintenance and repairs.	\$63,121
Holland Landing DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, pumping station upgrades, general maintenance and repairs.	\$106,048
Keswick DWS	General maintenance and repairs.	\$78,187
King City DWS	Elevated tank repairs and upgrades, control panel replacement, general maintenance and repairs.	\$242,487
Kleinburg DWS	General maintenance and repairs.	\$23,005
Mount Albert DWS	Standby generator replacement and upgrades, general maintenance and repairs.	\$1,047,968
Newmarket DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, elevated tank repairs and upgrades, water meter chamber upgrades, general maintenance and repairs.	\$405,698
Nobleton DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, general maintenance and repairs.	\$57,658
Schomberg DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, general maintenance and repairs.	\$98,789
Sharon/Queensville DWS	General maintenance and repairs.	\$8,081
Stouffville DWS	Well rehabilitation and pump maintenance, elevated tank re-coating and upgrades, system valve replacements, general maintenance and repairs.	\$661,149
York DWS	Pump maintenance, emergency standby power generator, watermain and valve chamber rehabilitation and replacement, new watermain and service connections, control panel replacement, general maintenance and repairs.	\$10,771,462
Total		\$13,972,859