

Environmental Services Compliance Report for February/March 2022

Ministry Inspections

An inspection was completed on February 1 for the Scott's point DWS. The report was received on March 18 with no issues or non-compliance issues noted. The full report is included on the Consent Agenda.

Wastewater Bypasses and Overflows

One wastewater bypass on the BEC WW system was reported to the Spills Action Center and Ministry of Health of February 14 due to equipment failure.

For the Kincardine WW system one overflow event occurred at the Durham Street pump station on February 17 and one wastewater bypass occurred on March 5 at the Kincardine effluent station. Both were due to equipment failures and were reported to the Spills Action Center and the Ministry of Health.

Distribution Repairs

One watermain break was repaired on March 18 in the Johnston Cres area. The break was considered a category 1 as there was no suspected contamination and no sampling required.

Sampling

Alkalinity and pH testing for all drinking water systems was completed on March 14 and results came back within the acceptable concentration limits

Annual Reports

The Annual reports for Kincardine, Tiverton, Scott Point, Underwood and Armow Drinking water systems were completed and included on the February 23 Consent Agenda for Council. The reports are posted on the municipal website and the Kincardine report was sent to the Township of Huron-Kinloss as the Huronville subdivision receives water from the Kincardine Water Treatment Plant.

Annual reports were completed for both the Kincardine and the Bruce Energy Center Wastewater systems and were included on the March 7 Consent Agenda for Council. The reports were submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, posted on the Kincardine website and copies were given to the Township of Huron Kinloss and Bruce Power.

O. Reg. 450/07 Reporting

The annual report required under this regulation was submitted prior to the March 31st deadline. The report provides information to the MECP on water taking from Industrial and Commercial users.

Drinking Water Quality Management System

The annual management review for 2021 was completed on March 30. A number of items were noted for follow-up in 2022 and are summarized on the DWQMS Management Review and Action Plan included on the consent agenda. A copy of the management review will also be forwarded to the Township of Huron Kinloss for the Huronville subdivision.

An Internal Audit was completed on March 15 for elements 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Drinking Water Quality Management System. No Corrective Actions or Preventative Actions were noted during the audit. Three Opportunities for improvement were noted and will be considered for future implementation of the QMS.

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