

AWKESBURY

Drinking Water System 2023 Annual Report

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Introduction

This Annual Drinking Water Report has been prepared to satisfy Section 11 of O. Reg. 170/03 Drinking Water Systems Regulation, under *the Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002*. It describes the Hawkesbury Drinking Water System, details the water quality testing results, any non-compliances findings and adverse conditions that may have occurred from January 1 to December 31, 2023.

The Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury is engaged to provide safe and clean drinking water to all its citizens and customers, to remain compliant with all regulatory requirements and to maintain and continually improve its drinking water quality management system. All efforts have been made to ensure the information presented is accurate.

Drinking Water System Description

The Hawkesbury Drinking Water System provides drinking water to the citizens of the Town of Hawkesbury and to three stand-alone systems owned by the Township of Champlain.

The key elements of Hawkesbury's Drinking Water System are:

- A raw water pumping station,
- A drinking water treatment plant,
- A water distribution system for the Town of Hawkesbury,
- A remote standpipe water storage in the Town of Hawkesbury completed with booster pumping system and secondary disinfection system,
- A pipeline connection to the Town of Vankleek Hill, with booster pumping system and secondary disinfection system,
- A pipeline connection to supply the Village of L'Orignal, completed with a metering chamber, and
- A pipeline connection to the Laurentian Park completed with a metering chamber.

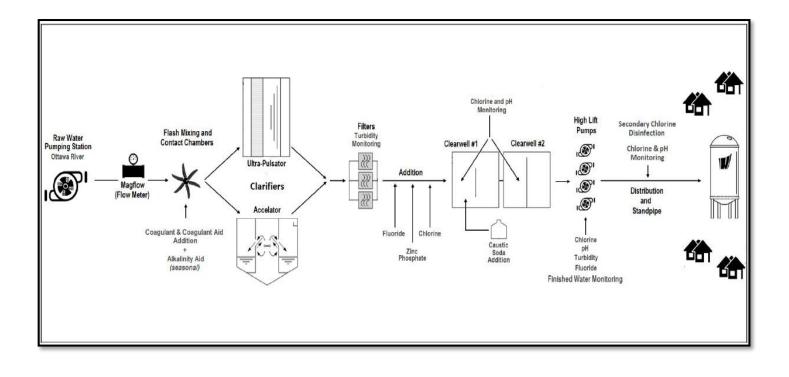
Hawkesbury Drinking Water System Profile Description					
Drinking Water System Number	220002832				
Drinking Water System Name	Hawkesbury Drinking Water System				
Drinking Water System Owner & Operating Authority	The Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury				
Municipal Drinking Water Licence	177-101				
Drinking Water Works Permit	177-201				
Permit to Take Water	6624-9KBRAJ				
Drinking Water System Category	Large Municipal Residential System				
Water Source	Ottawa River				
Population Served	>10,000				

The three stand-alone systems owned by the Township of Champlain are as follows and are all operated under the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA).

Drinking Water System Receivers					
Township of Champlain (L'Orignal)	260037102				
Township of Champlain (Vankleek Hill)	260002395				
Township of Champlain (Park Laurentien)	260090012				

Drinking Water System Process

The water is drawn from the Ottawa River through the intake pipe from the low lift pumping station and flows into the drinking water treatment plant where it undergoes a treatment process based on coagulation and flocculation followed by clarification and filtration. Treated water then travels through over 45 km of water distribution piping system and is stored in a 5,450 m³ standpipe water storage.



Water Treatment Chemicals Used

Every chemical used in the operations and treatment processes of Hawkesbury Drinking Water System satisfies the NSF International (NSF) and American National Standards Institute (ANSI) in contact with drinking water applicable standards.

Treatment Chemical Name	Role
Aluminium Sulfate (Alum)	Coagulant for treatment process in summer
Poly Hydroxy Aluminum Sulfate (PAS-8)	Coagulant for treatment process in winter
Sodium Silicate	To form activated silica, a coagulant aid
Sodium Aluminate	To form activated silica, a coagulant aid
Liquid Chlorine (compressed gas)	Primary disinfection
Hydrofluosilicic Acid	Help prevent tooth decay
Zinc Orthophosphate	Corrosion control in the distribution system
Caustic Soda	pH adjustment
Sodium Hypochlorite	Secondary disinfection of the distribution system

Major Expenses

The details of major expenses incurred for the maintenance and operations of the drinking water treatment system are as follows:

- New Variable Frequency Drives at the Raw Water Station
- New air compressor at the Drinking Water Treatment Plant
- New cellular communication dialer (TBOX)
- Filter #3 complete renovation
- West Street watermain replacement

Annual Water Quality Summary

In-plant samples are collected and tested on site throughout the day by certified operators, while on-line systems continuously monitor chlorine residuals, turbidity and other quality-related parameters. Additionally, samples are collected for bacteriological, inorganic, organic and other chemical parameters, as required by O. Reg. 170/03. These sample testings are performed by Caduceon Environmental Laboratories, accredited by the Canadian Association for laboratory Accreditation and licenced by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

The following tables describe the water quality monitoring, both regulatory and operational, that has been performed during this reporting period.

Sample Type	Parameter	Total Analysis	Range Results	Units	# Analysis Exceeding Standard
Raw	E. coli	52	0 – 35	CFU/100 mL	n/a
Raw	Total coliforms	52	10 – 10,700	CFU/100 mL	n/a
	E. coli	52	0 - 0	CFU/100 mL	0
Treated	Total coliforms	52	0 - 0	CFU/100 mL	0
	HPC	41	0 - 6	CFU/mL	n/a
	E. coli	415	0 - 0	CFU/100 mL	0
Distribution	Total coliforms	415	0 - 0	CFU/100 mL	0
	HPC	170	0 - 182	CFU/mL	n/a

Microbiological testing performed under Schedule 10 of Reg. 170/03

Operational testing performed under Schedule 6 & 7 of Reg. 170/03

Sample Type	Parameter	# of Grab Samples	Range Results	Units			
Raw	Turbidity	Continuous monitoring	2.02 - 38.25	NTU			
Treated	Turbidity	Continuous monitoring	0.03 - 0.17	NTU			
Treated	Free Chlorine Residual	Continuous monitoring	0.76 - 1.29	mg/L			
Distribution	Free Chlorine Residual	415	0.20 - 1.22	mg/L			
Treated	Fluoride*	365	0.43 - 0.75	mg/L			
Note for Continuous Monitoring (zero days offline):							
Number of Grab	Number of Grab Samples = 24 samples/day x 365 days/year (or 366 days/leap year) = 8760 (or 8784)						

*Fluoride Grab Sample numbers and range of results are reported using data from days when fluoridation was in service

Residual Management testing performed under Schedule C of the Municipal Drinking Water Licence

Legal Instrument Issue Date	Parameter	Total Analysis	Annual Average	Units	Maximum Annual Allowed Concentration
April 25, 2005	Total Suspended Solids	12	4	mg/L	25

Harmful Algal Blooms Monitoring performed under Schedule C of the Municipal Drinking Water Licence

The Hawkesbury Drinking Water System monitored for harmful algal blooms (HAB), as per its approved HAB monitoring plan, between June 1 and October 31, at the raw water source intake. During that period, no blooms were observed or reported.

Summary of Inorganic parameters identified under Schedule 23, performed per Schedule 13

Parameter	Date Sampled	Result	Units	Exceeded the Standard	Exceeded Half the Standard
Antimony	2023-09-18	< 0.0001	mg/L	No	No
Arsenic	2023-09-18	0.0002	mg/L	No	No
Barium	2023-09-18	0.014	mg/L	No	No
Boron	2023-09-18	0.005	mg/L	No	No
Cadmium	2023-09-18	< 0.000015	mg/L	No	No
Chromium	2023-09-18	< 0.0010	mg/L	No	No
Mercury	2023-09-18	<0.00002	mg/L	No	No
Selenium	2023-09-18	< 0.001	mg/L	No	No
Uranium	2023-09-18	< 0.00005	mg/L	No	No

Summary of Organic parameters identified under Schedule 24, performed per Schedule 13

Parameter	Date Sampled	Result	Units	Exceeded the Standard	Exceeded Half The Standard
Alachlor	2023-09-18	< 0.3	µg/L	No	No
Atrazine + N- dealkylated metabolites	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Azinphos-methyl	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Benzene	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Benzo(a)pyrene	2023-09-18	0.014	µg/L	Yes	Yes
Bromoxynil	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Carbaryl	2023-09-18	<3	µg/L	No	No
Carbofuran	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Carbon Tetrachloride	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No
Chlorpyrifos	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Diazinon	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Dicamba	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
1,2-Dichloroethane	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
1,1-Dichloroethylene (vinylidene chloride)	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Dichloromethane	2023-09-18	<5	µg/L	No	No
2-4 Dichlorophenol	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No
2,4-Dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4-D)	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Diclofop-methyl	2023-09-18	<0.9	µg/L	No	No
Dimethoate	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Diquat	2023-09-18	<5	µg/L	No	No
Diuron	2023-09-18	<5	µg/L	No	No
Glyphosate	2023-09-18	<25	µg/L	No	No
Malathion	2023-09-18	<5	µg/L	No	No
MCPA	2023-09-18	<10	µg/L	No	No
Metolachlor	2023-09-18	<3	µg/L	No	No
Metribuzin	2023-09-18	<3	µg/L	No	No
Monochlorobenzene	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Paraquat	2023-09-18	<1	µg/L	No	No
Pentachlorophenol	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No
Phorate	2023-09-18	<0.3	µg/L	No	No
Picloram	2023-09-18	<5	µg/L	No	No
Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB)	2023-09-18	<0.05	µg/L	No	No
Prometryne	2023-09-18	<0.1	µg/L	No	No
Simazine	2023-09-18	<0.5	μg/L	No	No

Summary of Organic parameters identified under Schedule 24, performed per Schedule 13 *continue*:

Parameter	Date Sampled	Result	Units	Exceeded the Standard	Exceeded Half The Standard
Terbufos	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Tetrachloroethylene	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
2,3,4,6- Tetrachlorophenol	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No
Triallate	2023-09-18	<10	µg/L	No	No
Trichloroethylene	2023-09-18	<0.5	μg/L	No	No
2,4,6- Trichlorophenol	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No
Trifluralin	2023-09-18	<0.5	µg/L	No	No
Vinyl Chloride	2023-09-18	<0.2	µg/L	No	No

Summary of other parameters performed under Schedule 13

Sample Type	Parameter	Total Analysis	Range Results	Units	Exceeded the Standard
Treated	Nitrite	4	0.05 – 0.05	mg/L	None
Treated	Nitrate	4	0.19 – 0.53	mg/L	None
Distribution	Haloacetic acids (running annual average)	12	38.2	µg /L	No
Distribution	THM (running annual average)	12	50.4	μg /L	No
Treated	Sodium*	1	16.0	mg/L	No
Distribution	Sodium*	1	1.6	mg/L	No

Sodium*: 2021 results. Is required to be tested once every 5 years. Next sampling will be performed in 2026.

Summary of lead testing performed under Schedule 15.1

Sample Type	Total Analysis	Range Results	Units	Exceeded the Standard
Plumbing	12	0.00002 - 0.00095	mg/L	None
Distribution	8	0.00014 - 0.00119	mg/L	None

Non-Compliance Findings

The annual Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) inspection for this reporting period took place in November 2023. There were no non-compliance findings and the Inspection Report Rating was 100% for the Hawkesbury Drinking Water System. No best practice recommendations were noted as well.

Adverse Test Results

During this review period, one (1) adverse drinking water incidents occurred, which was reported to the Spills Action Centre (SAC), the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU) and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

Incident Date	Parameter	Result	Units	Corrective Action	Corrective Action Date
September 22, 2023	Benzo(a)pyrene	0.000014	mg/L	Resampled, result 0.000006 mg/L (<0.00001)	October 5, 2023

Additionally, as part of the corrective action plan, sampling will be performed quarterly for four consecutive three-month periods.

Availability of Report

This report is available at no charge at the following places:

- Environmental Service Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury 815 Main East Hawkesbury (Ontario) K6A 1B5 (613) 678-9269
- Hawkesbury Public Library 550 Higginson Street Hawkesbury, Ontario K6A 1H1
- 3. Town's website www.hawkesbury.ca

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