

City of Brantford Wastewater System

Brantford Wastewater Treatment Plant

2022 Annual Performance Report

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1. Background

This report has been prepared in accordance with the terms and requirements set out in the City of Brantford's Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) #1860-9Q7LK9 issued on November 4, 2014 for the Brantford Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). It covers the period from January 1 to December 31, 2022.

2. Description of Wastewater System

The WWTP is located at 385 Mohawk Street, Brantford, Ontario and is a Class IV conventional activated sludge facility that services a population of 104,688 residents, receiving a mixture of residential, industrial, commercial and institutional wastewater.

Raw sewage enters the plant via 2 trunk sewers and passes through influent channels into a two celled wet well with isolation sluice gates within the Raw Sewage Pumping Station. Four dry pit submersible pumps discharge raw sewage through recently installed magnetic flow meters to the top floor of the Preliminary Treatment Building. The Preliminary Treatment Building consists of two mechanically raked bar screens and one bypass screening channel. Two vortex grit removal systems allow for the removal of grit before flowing by gravity to Process Module 1 (PM #1) and Process Module 2 (PM #2). The screenings and grit are conveyed to dumpsters which are hauled to the landfill for disposal.

PM #1 consists of four circular primary clarifiers, two three-pass rectangular fine bubble aeration tanks and six circular secondary clarifiers. PM #2 consists of two rectangular primary clarifiers, two three-pass rectangular fine bubble aeration tanks and two circular secondary clarifiers. Air is delivered to the aeration systems by two 300HP turbo blowers, one 200HP turbo blower and one 300HP centrifugal blower. Ferric chloride is added near the end of the aeration basins for phosphorus precipitation. Secondary effluent from each PM flows through a Parshall flume with an ultrasonic flow measuring device before combining and entering a chlorine contact chamber for disinfection with Sodium Hypochlorite. De-chlorination with Sodium Bisulfite is completed downstream of the chlorine contact chamber before being discharged to the Grand River.

Waste activated sludge and primary sludge are co-thickened in the primary clarifiers before being pumped to two primary anaerobic digesters. Digested sludge overflows to a secondary digester for decanting before being pumped to three biosolids storage tanks prior to land application. The biosolids storage tanks are also equipped with decanting capability.

3. Monitoring Data

3.1. Flow Measurement

Both the raw sewage and effluent wastewater flow are measured by continuous on-line flow meters. The existing raw sewage flow meters located in the PTB do not accurately measure the actual flow into the plant. As of April 2022, magnetic (MAG) flow meters were installed in the two forcemains between the RSPS and the PTB. For the purpose of this report the influent MAG meters were used to determine the raw loadings while the Parshall flumes were used to determine the final loadings.

3.2. Raw Sewage Concentrations and Loadings

Raw sewage concentrations and loadings for each month of 2022 are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1 - Summary of Monthly Average Raw Sewage Concentrations and Loadings

| Month | Average Daily Flows m ³ /d | TSS mg/L | TSS kg/d | BOD ₅ mg/L | BOD ₅ kg/d | TP mg/L | TP kg/d | TKN mg/L | TKN kg/d |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| January | 33953 | 231 | 7830 | 195.4 | 6634 | 4.1 | 138 | 33.8 | 1148 |
| February | 37102 | 219 | 8107 | 185.5 | 6882 | 3.1 | 114 | 28.2 | 1045 |
| March | 41260 | 222 | 9139 | 178.25 | 7355 | 3.6 | 148 | 29.9 | 1235 |
| April | 42487 | 180 | 7658 | 152 | 6181 | 3.7 | 157 | 33.3 | 1416 |
| May | 40653 | 218 | 8871 | 168.8 | 6862 | 4.2 | 172 | 30.9 | 1258 |
| June | 37434 | 265 | 9920 | 201.5 | 7543 | 4.3 | 161 | 33.6 | 1257 |
| July | 35309 | 303 | 10699 | 219 | 7732 | 4.4 | 154 | 35.8 | 1262 |
| August | 33948 | 291 | 9865 | 270.8 | 9186 | 5.1 | 171 | 42.1 | 1429 |
| September | 32621 | 341 | 11107 | 273.75 | 8933 | 6.8 | 221 | 50.5 | 1646 |
| October | 33029 | 273 | 9017 | 232.4 | 7677 | 6.4 | 213 | 53.3 | 1760 |
| November | 34083 | 252 | 8589 | 224.25 | 7591 | 5.1 | 175 | 40.1 | 1365 |
| December | 32345 | 236 | 7617 | 194.75 | 6714 | 4.9 | 160 | 40.9 | 1323 |
| Average | 36185 | 252 | 9035 | 208 | 7441 | 4.6 | 165 | 38 | 1345 |

3.3. Final Effluent Concentrations and Loadings

The final effluent concentrations and loadings are compared to the ECA objectives and limits to determine compliance. The City has also committed to meeting more stringent voluntary targets established through the Grand River Water Management Plan (WMP). If all municipal WWTPs discharging into the Grand River achieve the voluntary targets, water quality in the Grand River will be greatly improved.

Through the WMP, the Watershed-wide Wastewater Optimization Program (WWOP) was established, which the City is a partner in with other municipalities that discharge to the Grand River. The WWOP partners utilize optimization principles to make best use of municipal resources with a goal of achieving improved performance. The program also provides support to its municipal partners through technical assistance.

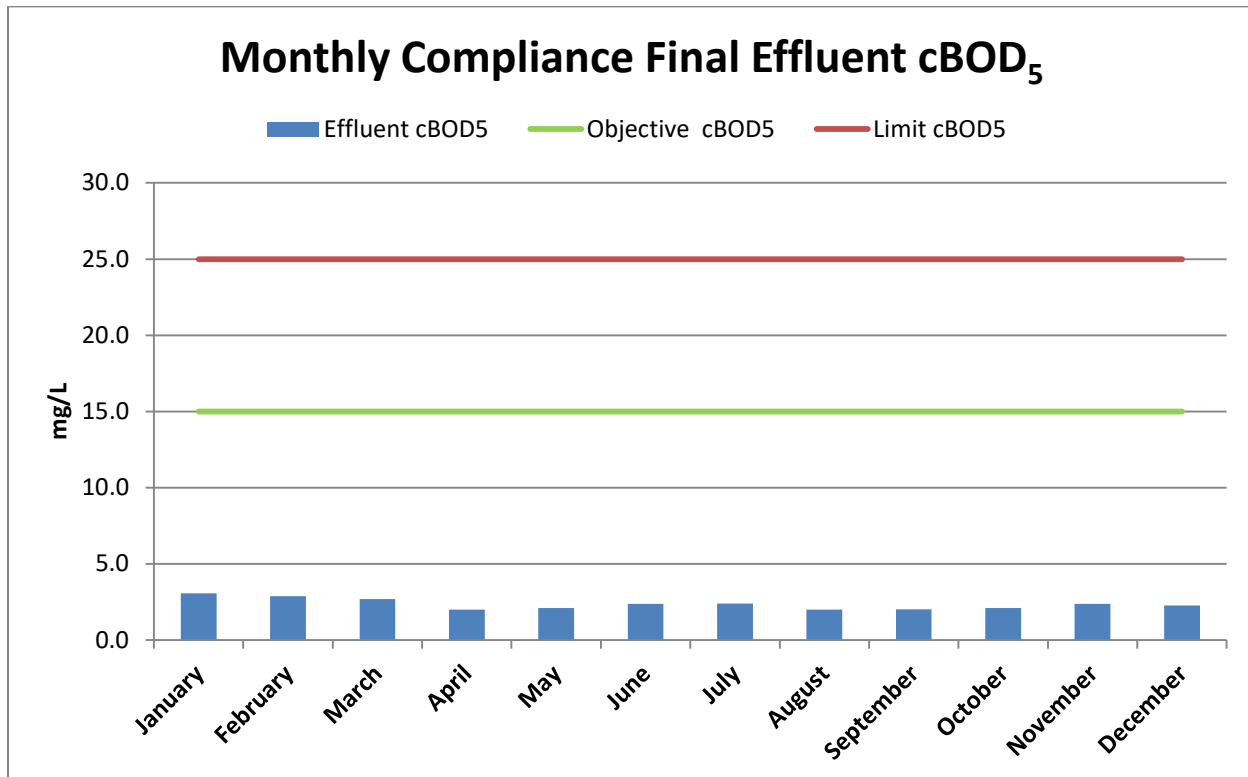
Required sampling parameters are summarized for each month of 2022 in Table 2.

Table 2 - Summary of Monthly Average Final Effluent Concentrations and Loadings

| | TSS mg/L | TSS Loading kg/d | cBOD5 mg/L | cBOD5 Loading kg/d | TP mg/L | TP Loading kg/d | Total Ammonia Nitrogen mg/L | Calculated Unionized Ammonia mg/L | E. Coli (Geometric Mean Density) CFU/100mL | Total Chlorine Residual mg/L | Sodium Bisulfite Residual mg/L | pH No Units | Temp. Degrees Celsius |
|------------------|----------|------------------|------------|--------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Objective | 15 | | 15 | | 0.8 | | | | | 0 | | | |
| Limit | 25 | 2045 | 25 | 2045 | 1 | 81.8 | | | 200 | 0.02 | | 6.00-9.5 | |
| January | 6.8 | 231 | 3.1 | 105 | 0.20 | 7 | 0.17 | 0.0017 | 30.9 | 0 | 1.7 | 7.42-7.77 | 10.3 |
| February | 4.3 | 158 | 2.9 | 107 | 0.20 | 7 | 0.21 | 0.0013 | 19.2 | 0 | 1.4 | 7.27-7.72 | 9.8 |
| March | 6.5 | 268 | 2.7 | 111 | 0.21 | 9 | 0.15 | 0.0007 | 28.6 | 0 | 1.6 | 7.31-7.66 | 10.7 |
| April | 5.0 | 189 | 2.0 | 76 | 0.21 | 8 | 0.37 | 0.0021 | 2.3 | 0 | 1.7 | 7.27-7.65 | 13.7 |
| May | 4.6 | 163 | 2.1 | 75 | 0.23 | 8 | 0.11 | 0.0011 | 9.6 | 0 | 2.6 | 7.21-7.93 | 17.3 |
| June | 4.8 | 154 | 2.4 | 77 | 0.35 | 11 | 0.16 | 0.0011 | 3.2 | 0 | 2.2 | 7.18-7.39 | 20.2 |
| July | 6.3 | 185 | 2.4 | 71 | 0.36 | 11 | 0.12 | 0.0013 | 40.3 | 0 | 2.2 | 7.08-7.80 | 22.1 |
| August | 5.8 | 166 | 2.0 | 57 | 0.22 | 6 | 0.10 | 0.0013 | 24.5 | 0 | 2.9 | 7.10-7.60 | 22.5 |
| September | 6.5 | 178 | 2.0 | 55 | 0.38 | 10 | 0.15 | 0.0015 | 20.9 | 0 | 2.5 | 7.06-7.60 | 21.2 |
| October | 6.0 | 163 | 2.1 | 57 | 0.26 | 7 | 0.08 | 0.0010 | 15.3 | 0 | 2.9 | 7.19-7.70 | 17.5 |
| November | 7.3 | 204 | 2.4 | 67 | 0.23 | 7 | 0.10 | 0.0017 | 8.6 | 0 | 2.9 | 7.18-8.10 | 16.2 |
| December | 5.3 | 150 | 2.3 | 65 | 0.22 | 6 | 0.39 | 0.0007 | 22.6 | 0 | 2.4 | 6.89-7.42 | 12.3 |
| Average | 5.7 | 184.1 | 2.4 | 77 | 0.25 | 8.6 | 0.18 | 0.0013 | 18.7 | 0 | 2.2 | 6.89-8.10 | 16.2 |

As identified in Table 2, all parameters with ECA limits and objectives were in compliance. The Total Residual Chlorine objective of 0.00 mg/L was achieved in all months. The detection limit for the HACH low-range pocket Colorimeter II (used at the WWTP) is from 0.02 to 2.00 mg/L for total and free chlorine. Therefore consistently measuring any values below the low range value of 0.02 mg/L is difficult. Operations staff measures the sodium bisulfite residual in the same final effluent sample. The presence of sodium bisulfite indicates the absence of total chlorine in the final effluent. For all 12 months, there was a sodium bisulfite residual present to ensure adequate removal of any total residual chlorine in the final effluent (Table 2).

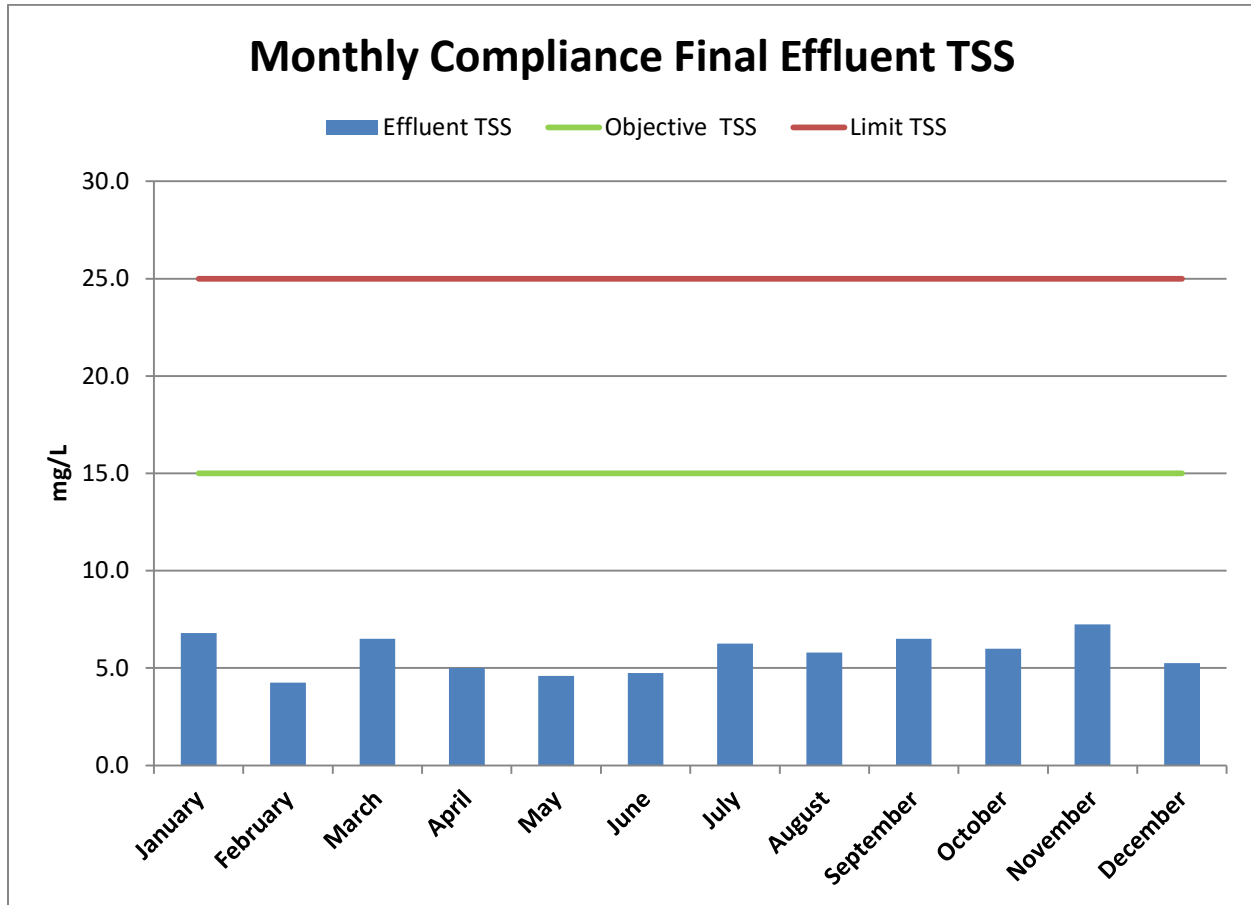
Figure 1 - Monthly Average Final Effluent cBOD₅



Comments:

- Figure 1 is a trend of the monthly average final effluent cBOD₅.
- The monthly average final effluent cBOD₅ concentrations met the ECA limit and objective in 2022.
- All monthly average results were less than 5 mg/L.

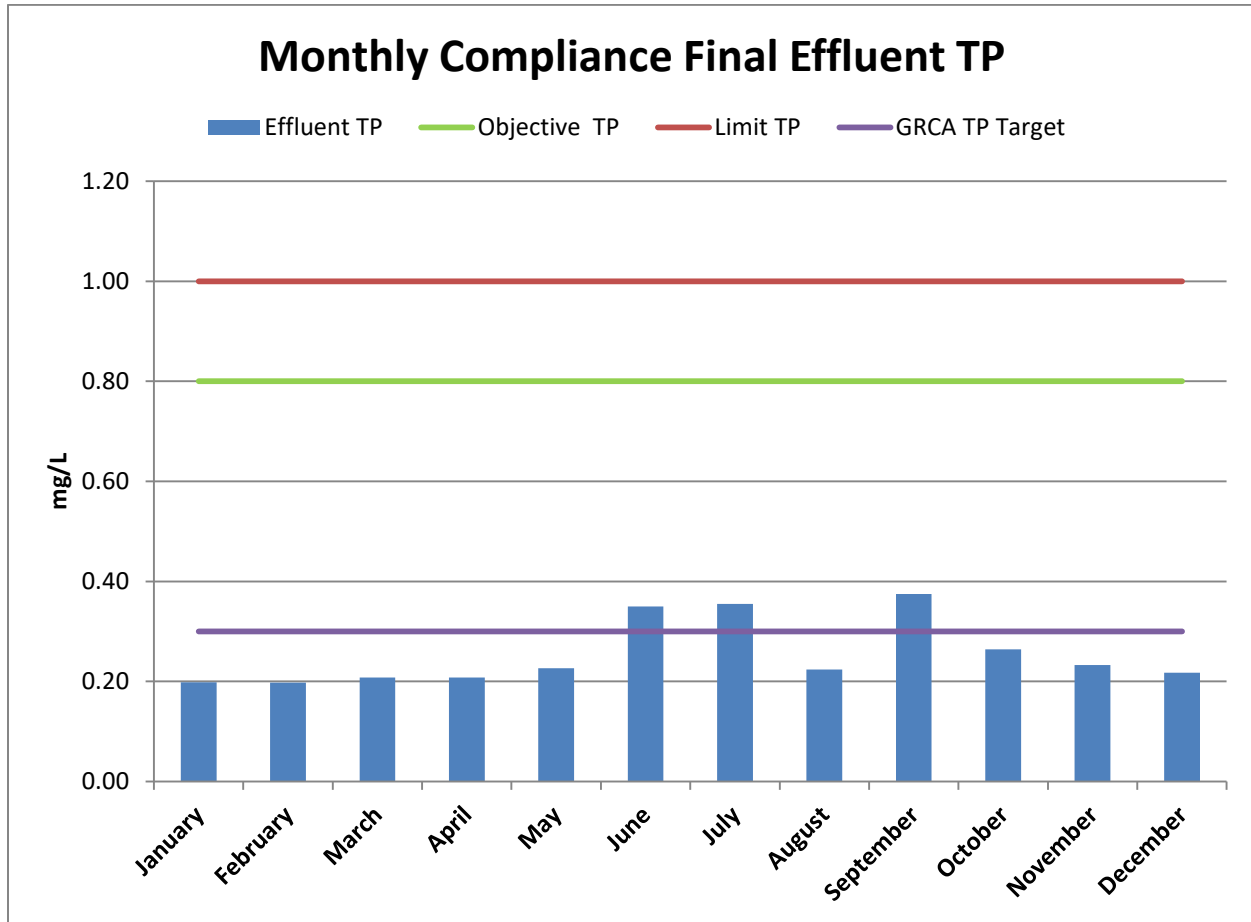
Figure 2 - Monthly Average Final Effluent TSS



Comments:

- Figure 2 is a trend of the monthly average final effluent TSS.
- The monthly average final effluent TSS concentrations met the ECA limit and objective in 2022.
- All monthly average results were less than 10 mg/L.

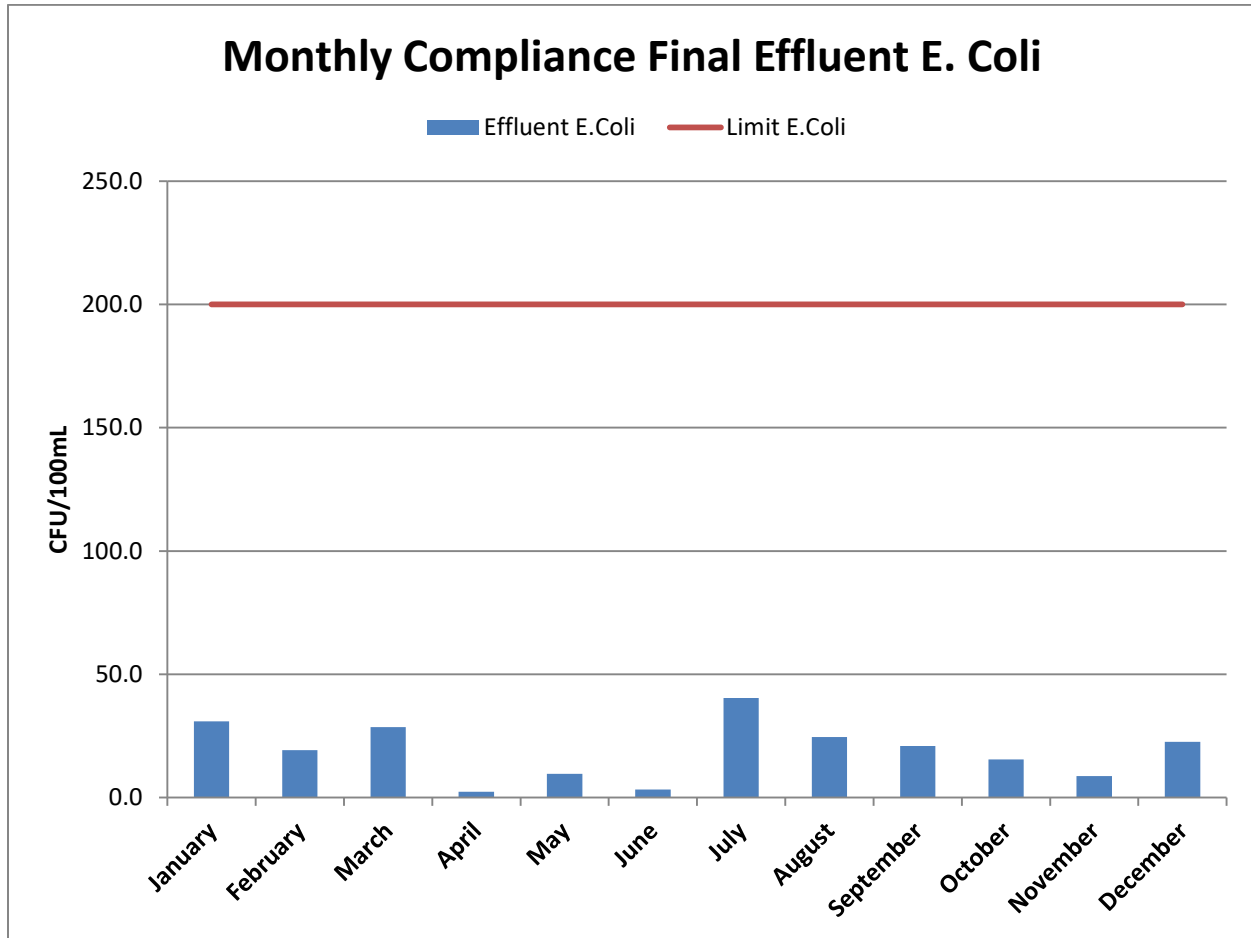
Figure 3 - Monthly Average Final Effluent TP



Comments:

- Figure 3 is a trend of the monthly average final effluent TP.
- The monthly average final effluent TP concentrations met the ECA limit and objective in 2022.
- The monthly average TP concentrations did not achieve the voluntary target of 0.3 mg/L in June, July and September 2022.

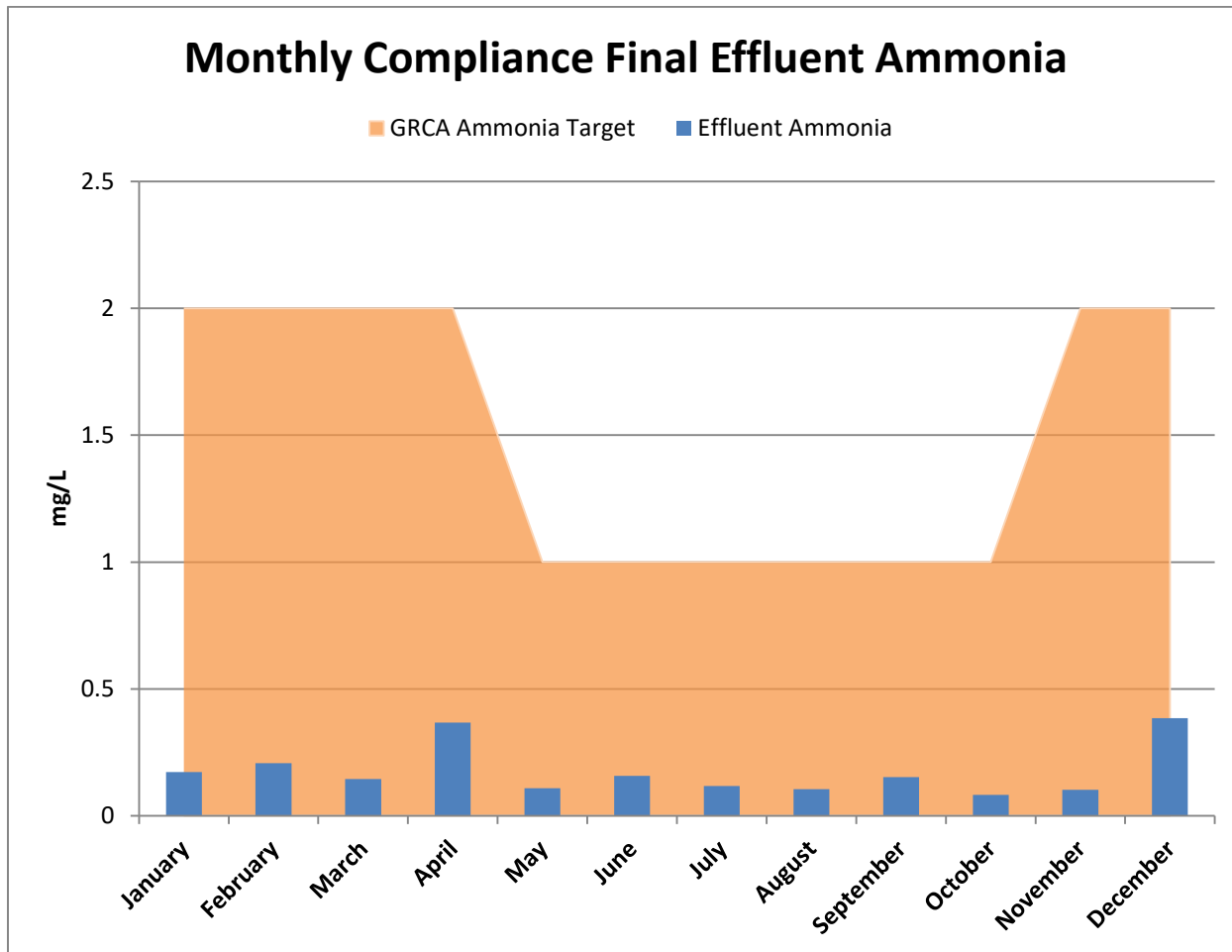
Figure 4 - Monthly Geometric Mean Density for Final Effluent E. Coli



Comments:

- Figure 4 is a trend of the monthly geometric mean density for final effluent E. Coli in CFU / 100 mL.
- The monthly geometric mean density for final effluent E. Coli met the ECA limit in 2022.

Figure 5 - Monthly Average Final Effluent Total Ammonia Nitrogen



Comments:

- Figure 5 is a trend of the monthly average final effluent total ammonia nitrogen (TAN).
- There is no limit or objective identified in the ECA for TAN.
- The monthly average final effluent TAN voluntary targets:
 - 1 mg/L - May to Oct.
 - 2 mg/L – Nov. to Apr.
- The final effluent TAN achieved the voluntary targets in all 12 months of 2022.

The City continues to strive to achieve the best possible performance from the WWTP by employing total mass control as a process control method and the use of other optimization tools. As a result, the plant achieved the voluntary target for TP in 9 of 12 months (did not achieve in June, July and September) but achieved the voluntary target for TAN in all months of 2022.

4. Per Capita Flows and Loadings

The raw sewage per capita flows, loadings and ratios are calculated and compared to typical values to determine if the raw sewage received represents typical wastewater or if it is influenced by other sources in the collection system. Table 3 is a summary of the per capita flows, loadings and ratios for the Brantford WWTP.

Table 3 - Brantford WWTP Per Capita Flows and Loadings

| Parameter | 2021 | 2022 | Typical |
|--|---------|---------|-------------|
| Population | 104,688 | 104,688 | -- |
| WWTP Rated Capacity (m ³ /d) | 81,800 | 81,800 | -- |
| Average Daily Influent Flow (m ³ /d) | 32,470 | 36,185 | -- |
| Peak Daily Influent Flow (m ³ /d) | 49,137 | 59,310 | -- |
| Annual Average Influent BOD ₅ (mg/L) | 203.4 | 208 | -- |
| Annual Average Influent TSS (mg/L) | 252 | 252 | -- |
| Annual Average Influent TKN (mg/L) | 38.7 | 37.7 | -- |
| Annual Average Influent TP (mg/L) | 4.8 | 4.6 | -- |
| Per Capita Wastewater Flow (L/person/day) | 310 | 346 | 294 – 351 |
| Per Capita BOD ₅ Loading (g/person/day) | 63.1 | 71 | 63 – 77 |
| Per Capita TSS Loading (g/person/day) | 78.2 | 86 | 69 – 93 |
| Per Capita TKN Loading (g/person/day) | 12 | 13 | 13 – 14 |
| Per Capita TP Loading (g/person/day) | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 – 2.0 |
| Average Daily Flow as % of Rated Capacity | 39.70% | 44.24% | -- |
| Max Flow Day / Annual Average Flow | 1.51 | 1.64 | 2.25 – 3.06 |
| Influent TSS/BOD ₅ | 1.24 | 1.21 | 1.01 – 1.25 |
| Influent TKN/BOD ₅ | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.17 – 0.23 |

All of the calculated per capita flows, loadings and ratios are close to typical values or within the typical ranges. The typical values are the median values for the Grand River Watershed-wide Wastewater Optimization Program (2012 to 2020). Therefore, it can be concluded that the data used for this analysis is representative of typical municipal wastewater in the Grand River watershed.

5. Operational Challenges

As per the ECA, this section's purpose is to provide a summary of significant operational problems encountered and any associated corrective actions that were implemented.

- PM #1 Secondary Clarifiers #1 to #4 – Secondary clarifiers #1 to #4 were originally built when the WWTP was commissioned in 1960. Due to their age and condition, they are almost unusable and left out of service at all times. The City is currently undergoing a condition assessment of all secondary clarifiers followed by specific rehabilitation work. Upon completion of the project, secondary clarifiers #1 to #4 will be able to be placed back in service.
- PM #2 Secondary Clarifier #8 – Secondary clarifier #8 has been out of service since 2019 due to its condition and cannot be placed back into service. This leaves PM #2 with no redundancy for its secondary clarifiers. The City is currently undergoing a condition assessment of all secondary clarifiers followed by specific rehabilitation work. Upon completion of this project, secondary clarifier #8 will be completely replaced which will provide redundancy again.
- PM #2 Primary Clarifier #5 Bridge Failure – PM #2 was without primary clarifier #5 due to issues with the travelling bridge mechanism. The travelling bridge performs sludge and scum collection. Once repairs were made, the primary clarifier was returned to service.
- Digester P5 Out of Service – Digester P5 has been out of service since spring of 2022 for cleaning, condition assessment and repairs as part of an on-going capital program.
- PM #1 Primary Clarifier #1, #2, and #4 Upgrades – As a result of the upgrades to primary clarifiers #1, #2 and #4 during the summer of 2022, no raw sewage could receive primary treatment in PM #1 and had to be routed around through PM #2. The PM #2 primary clarifiers did not perform as well by receiving higher flows which had a negative impact on the effluent quality as the City did not meet the GR WWOP voluntary target for TP. The limit and objective identified in the ECA were still met during this time.

6. Sludge Generation

6.1. Sludge Accountability

A sludge accountability analysis compares the amount of sludge reported to be removed from the plant (the sum of raw sludge pumped to the digesters and effluent TSS) to the amount of sludge projected to be produced by the plant (the sum of solids removed in the primary clarifiers, BOD₅ converted to solids in the aeration basins and the chemical added for phosphorus removal) to determine if monitoring data is truly representative and accurate. If the difference between the projected and reported masses is within +/- 15%, then the reported

data is likely accurate. Table 4 is a summary of the sludge accountability analysis for the Brantford WWTP.

Table 4 - Summary of Sludge Accountability

| Parameter | Reported Sludge (kg/d) | Parameter | Projected Sludge (kg/d) | Accountability |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Intentional Wasting | 8529.0 | Primary Sludge | 5460.2 | 13.5% |
| Unintentional Wasting | 208.1 | Biological Sludge | 3776.9 | |
| Total Reported Sludge | 8737.1 | Chemical Sludge | 867.3 | |
| | | Total Projected Sludge | 10104.5 | |

The sludge accountability analysis closed within +/-15%, which means that the data is accurate and representative.

6.2. Sludge Removal

Digested sludge (biosolids) produced at the Brantford WWTP is pumped to three on-site storage tanks prior to removal for liquid land application. Table 5 is a monthly summary of the biosolids removed for land application in 2021 compared to 2022.

Table 5 - Summary of Monthly Biosolids Removal

| Month | 2021 m ³ | 2022 m ³ | % Change |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|
| January | 0 | 0 | |
| February | 0 | 0 | |
| March | 0 | 0 | |
| April | 2,314.20 | 5,282.90 | |
| May | 4,893.10 | 9,358.40 | |
| June | 1,579.20 | 0.00 | |
| July | 3,926.50 | 6,861.30 | |
| August | 12,135.70 | 1,583.60 | |
| September | 5,881.90 | 6,761.30 | |
| October | 0 | 11,045.00 | |
| November | 13,213.90 | 10,999.30 | |
| December | 0 | 0 | |
| Total | 43,944.5 | 51,891.8 | 18.1% |

The total volume of sludge removed in 2022 was 51,891.8 m³ which represented an increase of 18.1% over 2021. Due to an issue with the recently installed plug valves, Operations staff were unable to effectively decant through part of 2022. These valves were replaced knife gate valves in January 2023 and now permit effective decanting of the biosolids storage tanks. The City is anticipating that the biosolids removed in 2023 will be similar to the volumes removed in 2021.

6.3. Biosolids Analytical Data

The analytical data for the anaerobic biosolids is summarized in Table 6 (total solids, nutrients and pathogens) and in Table 7 (metals).

Table 6 - Summary of Total Solids, Nutrients and Pathogens for Anaerobic Biosolids

| Month | TS (%) | TKN (mg/kg) | NH ₃ -N (mg/kg) | NO ₃ -N (mg/kg) | TP (mg/kg) | K (mg/kg) | E. Coli (CFU/g) |
|-----------|--------|-------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|
| January | 2.83 | 80,764 | 31,919 | 1.43 | 34,187 | 3,036 | 93,525 |
| February | 2.58 | 82,532 | 33,600 | 1.56 | 33,286 | 3,770 | 267,250 |
| March | 2.46 | 86,525 | 33,168 | 1.63 | 32,560 | 5,679 | 155,200 |
| April | 2.33 | 93,428 | 32,435 | 1.81 | 36,417 | 4,638 | 153,925 |
| May | 2.28 | 89,057 | 40,731 | 1.79 | 33,185 | 4,001 | 53,320 |
| June | 2.40 | 85,396 | 36,453 | 2.31 | 33,554 | 3,521 | 58,350 |
| July | 2.28 | 81,704 | 28,994 | 1.76 | 32,182 | 2,973 | 81,475 |
| August | 3.20 | 65,686 | 24,033 | 1.49 | 23,718 | 1,847 | 28,140 |
| September | 2.48 | 72,796 | 28,273 | 1.62 | 30,378 | 2,843 | 24,525 |
| October | 2.15 | 105,261 | 39,953 | 2.28 | 47,686 | 4,448 | 73,950 |
| November | 2.60 | 79,088 | 28,174 | 1.54 | 30,155 | 2,869 | 60,800 |
| December | 2.43 | 84,886 | 36,823 | 2.56 | 29,157 | 3,795 | 35,600 |
| Average | 2.50 | 83,927 | 32,880 | 1.82 | 33,039 | 3,618 | 90,505 |

Table 7 - Summary of Regulated Metals for Anaerobic Biosolids

| Month | As (mg/kg) | Cd (mg/kg) | Co (mg/kg) | Cr (mg/kg) | Cu (mg/kg) | Hg (mg/kg) | Mo (mg/kg) | Ni (mg/kg) | Pb (mg/kg) | Se (mg/kg) | Zn (mg/kg) |
|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| CM1 | 1.7 | 0.34 | 3.4 | 28 | 17 | 0.11 | 0.94 | 4.2 | 11 | 0.34 | 42 |
| CM2 | 170 | 34 | 340 | 2,800 | 1,700 | 11 | 94 | 420 | 1,100 | 34 | 4,200 |
| Jan. | 4.3 | 0.87 | 5.4 | 69.7 | 715.3 | 3.57 | 12.02 | 19.7 | 31.3 | 4.16 | 693.5 |
| Feb. | 1.9 | 0.58 | 4.4 | 72.0 | 656.7 | 3.89 | 13.11 | 19.6 | 24.9 | 1.56 | 640.1 |
| Mar. | 17.8 | 8.79 | 19.5 | 128.5 | 732.7 | 3.22 | 25.05 | 96.7 | 32.1 | 17.75 | 758.3 |
| Apr. | 3.3 | 0.79 | 5.6 | 81.3 | 783.6 | 3.39 | 12.36 | 23.4 | 24.6 | 4.18 | 692.3 |
| May | 2.9 | 0.45 | 5.4 | 82.0 | 720.0 | 4.48 | 11.36 | 19.8 | 22.1 | 2.84 | 656.0 |
| Jun. | 3.5 | 0.63 | 5.1 | 83.8 | 742.3 | 3.26 | 12.81 | 20.5 | 22.2 | 4.37 | 733.8 |
| Jul. | 2.7 | 0.52 | 4.8 | 89.2 | 826.1 | 1.35 | 14.69 | 23.4 | 21.4 | 4.49 | 831.5 |
| Aug. | 2.1 | 0.47 | 3.8 | 68.8 | 595.3 | 1.93 | 12.06 | 17.2 | 21.2 | 9.75 | 647.6 |
| Sep. | 3.9 | 0.82 | 5.0 | 94.0 | 861.4 | 4.04 | 18.39 | 22.6 | 36.9 | 20.49 | 945.4 |
| Oct. | 13.6 | 2.56 | 7.9 | 146.3 | 1223.7 | 5.70 | 33.44 | 34.5 | 60.6 | 41.01 | 1440.0 |
| Nov. | 7.7 | 1.00 | 7.4 | 97.7 | 777.5 | 3.85 | 21.72 | 25.4 | 28.7 | 7.71 | 1156.4 |
| Dec. | 6.7 | 0.61 | 6.3 | 94.7 | 772.5 | 3.37 | 19.68 | 24.0 | 26.7 | 6.75 | 894.8 |
| Avg. | 5.9 | 1.5 | 6.7 | 92.3 | 783.9 | 3.5 | 17.2 | 28.9 | 29.4 | 10.4 | 840.8 |

Metal Concentrations for the anaerobic sludge were converted from mg/L to mg/kg (as per the regulations) to compare with the limits in the Nutrient Management Act, O. Reg. 267/03 Section 98 Table 1 “Standards for Regulated Metals in Materials Applied to Land that are Sewage Biosolids.” The metals met the CM2 limit in all months in 2022 except for Selenium in October which had one weekly sample exceed the CM2 limit. This was due to an excessively low total solids (TS) concentration.

6.4. Biosolids Land Application Sites

The following table summarizes the application sites that the City’s contracted biosolids hauler (Enviroland Services Inc.) utilized for biosolids haulage in 2022 for the Brantford WWTP. All biosolids is hauled to certified agricultural land by Enviroland (registered as a biosolids handling company through the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks #7937-AMQNUB). Table 8 is a summary of the conditioning sites used for biosolids from the Brantford WWTP.

Table 8 - Summary of Conditioning Sites Used for Brantford WWTP Biosolids

| Site # | Volume Applied (m ³) | Site # | Volume Applied (m ³) |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| 22861 | 0.0 | 24717 | 4,113.6 |
| 24206 | 8,856.7 | 24721 | 1,685.7 |
| 24559 | 4,009.9 | 24790 | 0.0 |
| 24665 | 6,578.2 | 24931 | 9,358.4 |
| 24691 | 0.0 | 24932 | 11,933.3 |
| Brantford Landfill | 0.00 | 25120 | 3,650.3 |
| 24641 | 1,705.7 | Total | 51,891.80 |

7. Septage Receiving

The following section provides a summary of the daily volumes and analytical data for the septage received at the Brantford WWTP.

7.1. Septage Volumes

Volume of septage received at the facility in 2022 totaled 8,589 m³ which is similar to the volume received in 2021 (8,352 m³). The volumes received are summarized per quarter in Table 9.

7.2. Analytical Data

Table 9 is a summary of the average volumes received and the analytical data for the quarterly septage sampling conducted at the facility.

Table 9 - Summary of Quarterly Septage Volumes Received and Sampling Analysis

| Quarter | Average Daily Volume Received (m ³ /d) | Total Volume Received (m ³) | % of WWTP Flows | BOD ₅ (mg/L) | TSS (mg/L) | TP (mg/L) | TKN (mg/L) |
|-------------------------|---|---|-----------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Q1 (January – March) | 13.09 | 1,165 | 0.03% | 1,480 | 8,660 | 197.00 | 428 |
| Q2 (April – June) | 31.66 | 2,850 | 0.08% | 2,910 | 3,550 | 87.70 | 888 |
| Q3 (July – September) | 25.83 | 2,351 | 0.08% | 418 | 1,240 | 23.40 | 218 |
| Q4 (October – December) | 24.44 | 2,224 | 0.07% | 4,340 | 24,300 | 151.00 | 764 |
| Annual | 23.76 | 8,589 | 0.07% | 2,287 | 9,438 | 114.78 | 574.50 |

8. Maintenance

The following section provides an overview of some of the major maintenance activities and capital upgrades carried out at the facility in 2022.

8.1. Summary of Major Maintenance Activities

- Replacement of the grit classifier in the preliminary treatment building;
- Replacement of the mixers for the Biosolids storage tanks;
- Completed treatment plant wide process and security alarm system upgrades;
- Completed digester, chemical and primary clarification Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) upgrades;

8.2. Summary of Completed Capital Upgrades

- Replacement of WWTP influent flow metering;
- Preliminary treatment building bypass and automation;
- Assessment of the Wastewater Operations Maintenance program;

8.3. Summary of Capital Projects in Progress:

- Cleanout, inspection and repairs to the anaerobic digesters;
- Upgrades to PM #1 primary clarifiers (#1 to #4);
- Secondary clarifier condition assessment and rehabilitation;
- Class EA and Upgrades to the Empey St. WWPS.

- Design of a new UV disinfection system; and
- Replacement of the WWTP process boilers.

9. Calibrations

This section provides a summary of calibrations performed on all effluent monitoring equipment. All calibration reports are included in this report as Appendix A.

9.1. Influent and Effluent Flow Meters

Calibration tests were performed on September 12th, 2022 for the final effluent meters (PM #1 and PM #2). Both meters are operating to within +/- 15% error. The old Influent Flow Meters were removed during the construction to install the new influent magnetic (MAG) flow meterw.

10. Complaints

As per the ECA this section is to provide a summary of any complaints received and any steps taken to address the complaint. There were no complaints reported to the City regarding the WWTP in 2022.

11. Bypass, Spills, and Abnormal Discharge Events

As per the ECA this section is to provide a summary of all by-pass, spill or abnormal discharge events. The WWTP did not experience any bypasses, spills or abnormal discharge events in 2022.

12. Bypasses Due to Grand River High Water Levels

As per the ECA this section is to provide a summary of all bypasses due to high water level events in the Grand River and an update on the implementation plan for provision of effluent pumping to eliminate such bypasses. There were no bypass events due to high water levels in the Grand River from the WWTP.

A study investigating the feasibility of an effluent pumping station was completed in 2020. Based on the feasibility study, the City is planning on initiating an Environmental Assessment in 2022 with the design to commence in 2023 for an effluent pumping station.

13. Notice of Modifications to Sewage Works

The following is an update to two (2) outstanding modifications initiated under the ECA's Limited Operational Flexibility in 2020, including the following:


- Upgrades to the PM #1 primary clarifiers (sludge and scum collectors, pumping and piping modifications, etc.). Construction started in Q4 2021 and completed in Q4 2022.

14. Other Information

No additional information was requested by the District Manager.

Appendix A – Flow Meter Calibration Records

Figure 6 - PM #1 Effluent Flow Meter Calibration Certificate


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|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|
|  | <h2 style="margin: 0;">CALIBRATION REPORT</h2> | TAG NO.: Plant 1 (old plant) REPORT NO.: Brant 22 DATE: 12-Sep-22 | | | | | | |
| SITE: Brantford WWTP PROCESS AREA: Effluent Flow INSTR. TAG: Plant 1 (old plant) MANUFACTURER: Milltronics MODEL: Multiranger plus SERIAL No.: INSTR. RANGE: 0 - 1209 m ³ /d | DATE: 12-Sep-22 TECHNICIAN: Mike Humphries REPORT NO.: Brant 22 | | | | | | | |
| PRIMARY DEVICE: 36" Parshall Flume MAX FLOW: 1209 m ³ /day MAX HEAD: 75.28 cm CONSTANT: 1886 EXPONENT: 1.566 Output: mA Flow Zero: 4 0.00 Max: 20 1209.0 | P1 = 2 P2 = 5 P3 = 103.6 P4 = 75.28 P5 = 30 P6 = 2 P7 = 2 P80 = 11 P83 = 71 P83 = 6:19 | | | | | | | |
| <h3 style="margin: 0;">OCM Flow Table</h3> | | | | | | | | |
| Head Applied (cm) | Head Displayed (cm) | Error (%) | Calculated Flow (m ³ /day) | Flow Displayed (m ³ /day) | Error (%) | Calculated mA Output | Measured mA Output | Error (%) |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.00 | 3.92 | -2.04 |
| 25.00 | 25.43 | 1.69 | 215 | 221 | 2.61 | 6.85 | 6.73 | -1.74 |
| 50.00 | 50.43 | 0.85 | 637 | 645 | 1.29 | 12.43 | 12.14 | -2.39 |
| 65.00 | 65.43 | 0.66 | 961 | 971 | 1.04 | 16.71 | 16.28 | -2.66 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Totalizer As Found m ³ Totalizer As Left m ³ | | | Comments | | | | | |
| Zero As Found 100.4 cm Zero As Left 100.4 cm Change in Zero 0.0 cm | | | | | | | | |

AS FOUND: PASS

AS LEFT: PASS

CERTIFIED BY: Mike Humphries

Figure 7 - PM #2 Effluent Flow Meter Calibration Certificate

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|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------------------|----------------|---------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|--------|
|  | <h2 style="margin: 0;">CALIBRATION REPORT</h2> | TAG NO.: Plant 2 (new plant) REPORT NO.: Brant 22 DATE: 12-Sep-22 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SITE: Brantford WWTP PROCESS AREA: Effluent Flow INSTR. TAG: Plant 2 (new plant) MANUFACTURER: Milltronics MODEL: Multiranger plus SERIAL No.: INSTR. RANGE: 0 - 1209 m ³ /d | DATE: 12-Sep-22 TECHNICIAN: Mike Humphries REPORT NO.: Brant 22 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PRIMARY DEVICE: 36" Parshall Flume MAX FLOW: 1209 m ³ /day MAX HEAD: 75.28 cm CONSTANT: 1886 EXPONENT: 1.566 Output: mA Flow Zero: 4 0.00 Max: 20 1209.0 | P1 = 2 P2 = 5 P3 = 103.6 P4 = 75.28 P5 = 30 P6 = 2 P7 = 2 P80 = 11 P83 = 71 P83 = 6:19 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <h3 style="margin: 0;">OCM Flow Table</h3> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Head Applied (cm) | Head Displayed (cm) | Error (%) | Calculated Flow (m ³ /day) | Flow Displayed (m ³ /day) | Error (%) | Calculated mA Output | Measured mA Output | Error (%) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.00 | 3.94 | -1.52 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25.00 | 25.17 | 0.68 | 215 | 218 | 1.31 | 6.85 | 6.78 | -0.99 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50.00 | 49.87 | -0.26 | 637 | 634 | -0.47 | 12.43 | 12.16 | -2.22 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 65.00 | 64.95 | -0.08 | 961 | 959 | -0.17 | 16.71 | 16.36 | -2.16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;">Totalizer As Found</td> <td style="width: 20%;">m³</td> <td colspan="6" rowspan="4" style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;"> <div style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;">Comments</div> </div> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Totalizer As Left</td> <td>m³</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zero As Found</td> <td>103.6 cm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Zero As Left</td> <td>103.6 cm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Change in Zero</td> <td>0.0 cm</td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | | | | Totalizer As Found | m ³ | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;"> <div style="text-align: center; border-bottom: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 5px;">Comments</div> </div> | | | | | | Totalizer As Left | m ³ | Zero As Found | 103.6 cm | Zero As Left | 103.6 cm | Change in Zero | 0.0 cm |
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| Totalizer As Left | m ³ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zero As Found | 103.6 cm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zero As Left | 103.6 cm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Change in Zero | 0.0 cm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

AS FOUND: PASS

AS LEFT: PASS

CERTIFIED BY: Mike Humphries