

**The Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances  
Wastewater Treatment Plant  
(Sewage Plant)  
May 2017 Monthly Operations Report**

## **INTRODUCTION**

In accordance with the Agreement between the Ontario Clean Water Agency (Operating Authority) and the Town of Fort Frances, the Fort Frances Sewage Treatment Plant is required to prepare a monthly report. This document covers the reporting month of May 2017; the facility performance report summarizes important information regarding the quality of the effluent, wastewater, analytical test results, maintenance operations, and relevant activities of the WWTP.

## **DESCRIPTION OF WORKS**

Capacity of Works	9000 m <sup>3</sup> /day (average flow)
Service Area	Town of Fort Frances and Couchiching Reserve
Service Population	9000
Effluent Receiver	Rainy River
Major Process	Secondary treatment facility complete with a phosphorus removal system; ultra violet disinfection; aerobic sludge stabilization and dewatering

The Fort Frances Sewage Treatment Plant operates under *Environmental Compliance Approval Number 6786-A44PWG*. The ECA outlines the terms and conditions, and the report captures these terms and conditions in the following sections.

## **LABORATORY**

ALS Laboratory Group – Thunder Bay is contracted to conduct the required analytical tests of the influent (raw) and effluent samples; weekly requirement.

## MAY 2017 EFFLUENT QUALITY

<i>Parameters</i>	<i>Monthly Actual Concentration mg/L</i>	<i>Compliance Criteria Concentration mg/L</i>	<i>Performance Objective Concentration mg/L</i>	<i>Monthly Actual Loading, kg/d</i>	<i>Compliance Criteria Loading kg/d</i>	<i>Performance Objective Loading kg/d</i>
CBOD <sub>5</sub>	2.0 mg/L	25 mg/L	15 mg/L	15.3 kg/d	225 kg/d	135 kg/d
Total Suspended Solids	3.8 mg/L	25 mg/L	15 mg/L	28.2 kg/d	225 kg/d	135 kg/d
Total Phosphorus	0.15 mg/L	1.0 mg/L	0.9 mg/L	1.1 kg/d	9 kg/d	8.1 kg/d
Total Nitrogen Nitrate Nitrogen	6.80 mg/L 4.98 mg/L					
Total Cl <sub>2</sub> Residual		<0.01 mg/L (when in use)				
E-Coli		15 count/100 ml (geometric mean )		200 count/100ml (geometric mean )		E-coli not to exceed 150 organisms/100ml (monthly geometric mean density)
pH				pH range 7.5 to 8.0; average pH was 7.7		
Temperature degrees C				Temperatures ranged from 9.5 to 12.0 C; average temperature of effluent was 10.7 C		

Compliance criteria are mandatory requirements of the ECA and performance objectives are a goal to be achieved using best reasonable efforts.

## WASTEWATER LIQUID PROCESS

The average daily flow for May was 7372.6 m<sup>3</sup>/day. This represents 82% of the design average flow. Total treated flow for the month was 228551 m<sup>3</sup>.

The Fort Frances WWTP met all effluent compliance criteria for the parameters listed above and additionally was well within the recommended more stringent monthly performance objective levels as outlined in the Environmental Compliance Approval.

## INVENTORY

Chemical	End of Month Status	Units
Hypochlorite	1100 +/- @ 8.0% +3x205 L @ 12%	Litres
Alum	12.3 +/- @ 55 %	Cubic meters
Polymer	1 x 205 L drums	Liters

## MAINTENANCE

The operators performed the routine operations and maintenance at the treatment plant and pumping stations. The activities are highlighted as follows:

### Treatment Plant:

- Alternated lead/lag pumps
- Adjusted fluidizing water to head cell and grit snail as needed
- Greased all blowers
- Regular cleaning of head works EW basket strainer
- Greased Grit Snail and lubricated drive chain
- Weekly inspection of spiral screen access hatch, removed wrapped debris as required
- Repaired digester valve
- Changed oil in blowers 4 and 5
- Weekly manifold wash on the Fournier press
- Removed debris from the Teacup and hosed Snail
- Replaced bulbs UV bank A and acid washed sleeves
- Greased Flocculator
- Torqued the bolts on the Fournier channel covers
- Replaced 2 fuses UV bank A
- Wiped DO probes

### Pump Stations:

- Ran gensets
- Changed seal water strainers
- Pulled and cleaned pump 2 at Central Avenue lift station
- Replaced the UPS unit at White Pine lift station

## **PROCESS AND OPTIMIZATION ISSUES**

The lack of a booster pump for the polymer system dilution water is preventing further optimization of the new sludge thickener.

## **SLUDGE SUMMARY**

Asselin Storage and Transportation Limited hauled a calculated total of 66.8 m<sup>3</sup> (9 bins) of thickened digested sludge to the Town of Fort Frances landfill site. The hauled sludge averaged 18.1 % TS for the month.

## **COMPLAINTS**

There were no complaints during the report period.

## **BYPASS/OVERFLOW REPORT(S)**

There were no bypass or overflow events during the reporting period.

## **COMMENTS**

Plant power consumption for the month was 618 (x 180 multiplier) kWh.

The polymer/water solution flow for the month of May was 197 m<sup>3</sup> at a polymer concentration of 0.2%.

Screen and Dewatering Upgrades at the FFWWTP have been under way since May 30, 2016.

The annual fire extinguisher inspections were completed.

## **REPORTS**

ALS – Environmental Analytical Reports (on-file at plant)

Fort Frances WPCP Equipment Run Time Report (on-file at plant)

Bypass Report (on-file at plant as per occurrence)

Incident Report (on-file at plant as per occurrence)