



# **2024 Annual Performance Report for the North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon & Sewage Collection System**

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## Executive Summary

The North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon is located at 543083 Proctors Road in the Township of Buck and serves the residence of South Haileybury (North Cobalt). The lagoon is designed to treat a daily average flow of 1200 m<sup>3</sup>/day and a peak flow of 2900 m<sup>3</sup>/day. It is classified as a Class 2 wastewater treatment system under Ontario Regulation 129/04 and operates under Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) No. 3-0077-94-006 for Municipal and Private Sewage Works issued on March 8, 1994 and the following amendment notices issued on September 20, 1994, January 30, 1995, February 8, 1995 and December 7, 1995.

The North Cobalt Lagoon Sewage Collection System is a Class 2 wastewater collection system under Ontario Regulation 129/04 that follows the requirements of ECA No. 218-W601 for Municipal Sewage Collection Systems issued on October 27, 2023.

This report summarizes the requirements of each Approval and describes the operational performance of the system to ensure the production of quality effluent.

The North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon System operated well in 2024 producing a high quality effluent that met all effluent limits and objectives specified in the system's ECA.

The system met the rated capacity limit having an annual average daily flow to the lagoon of 422 m<sup>3</sup>, which is 35% of the rated capacity. The total volume of influent flow measured in 2024 was 154,338 m<sup>3</sup> compared to the effluent flow of 177.891 m<sup>3</sup>.

There were six (6) overflow events that occurred during the reporting period which are described in Section 10.

All requirements specified in the system's ECAs and any issues experienced at the facility are further explained throughout the report.

## Introduction

Condition 17 of ECA No. 3-0077-94-006 for the North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon requires the Owner to prepare and submit a performance report to the Ministry of the Environment's District Manager on an annual basis within 90 days of the end of the reporting period, for the preceding calendar year. The 2024 Annual Performance Report was prepared by the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) on behalf of the City of Temiskaming Shores and is based on information kept on record by OCWA. The report must be completed in accordance with this approval and contains, but is not limited to the following information outlined in the ECA:

- A summary of all monitoring and compliance reports submitted in the reporting period, including an overview of the success and adequacy of the sewage treatment program;
- A comprehensive interpretation of all monitoring data and analytical data collected relative to the works during the reporting period and a comparison to the effluent quality and quantity criteria described in sections 11 and 12;
- A summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken during the reporting period;
- A summary of all maintenance carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus, mechanism or thing forming part of the works;
- A description of any operating problems encountered and corrective actions taken during the reporting period;
- A summary of any proposed alteration, extension or replacement in the process or operation of the works to be completed over the next reporting period which may require approval under the Ontario Water Resources Act;
- A tabulation of the volume of sludge generated in the reporting period and an outline of anticipated volumes to be generated over the next reporting period;
- An outline of the sludge handling methods and disposal areas to be utilized over the next reporting period;
- An evaluation of the calibration and maintenance procedures conducted on all monitoring equipment;
- An evaluation for the need for modifications to the works to improve performance and reliability and to minimize upsets and bypasses.

Condition 4.0(4.6) of ECA No. 218-W601 for the North Cobalt Lagoon Sewage Collection System requires the Owner to prepare and submit an annual performance report to the Ministry of the Environment's Director on or before March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year and covers a period from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the preceding calendar year. This report must include, but is not limited to the following information;

- If applicable, includes a summary of all required monitoring data along with an interpretation of the data and any conclusion drawn from the data evaluation about the need for future modifications to the Authorized System or system operations;
- Includes a summary of any operating problems encountered and corrective actions taken;
- Includes a summary of all calibration, maintenance, and repairs carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus, mechanism, or thing forming part of the Municipal Sewage Collection System;
- Includes a summary of any complaints related to the Sewage Works received during the reporting period and any steps taken to address the complaints.
- Includes a summary of all Alterations to the Authorized System within the reporting period that are authorized by this Approval including a list of Alterations that pose a Significant Drinking Water Threat;
- Includes a summary of all Collection System Overflow(s) and Spill(s) of Sewage, including: dates, volumes and durations. If applicable, loadings for total suspended solids, BOD<sub>5</sub>, total phosphorus, and total Kjeldahl nitrogen, and sampling results for *E.coli*, disinfection, if any and any adverse impact(s) and any corrective actions, if applicable;
- Includes a summary of efforts made to reduce Collection System Overflows, Spills, STP Overflows, and/or STP Bypasses, including the following items, as applicable:
  - a) A description of projects undertaken and completed in the Authorized System that result in overall overflow reduction or elimination including expenditures and proposed projects to eliminate overflows with estimated budget forecast for the year following that for which the report is submitted.
  - b) Details of the establishment and maintenance of a PPCP, including a summary of project progresses compared to the PPCP's timelines.
  - c) An assessment of the effectiveness of each action taken.
  - d) An assessment of the ability to meet Procedure F-5-1 or Procedure F-5-5 objectives (as applicable) and if able to meet the objectives, an overview of next steps and estimated timelines to meet the objectives.
  - e) Public reporting approach including proactive efforts.

The two reports have been merged into one and is presented as the 2024 Annual Performance Report. The report was prepared by the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) on behalf of the City of Temiskaming Shores and is based on information kept on record by OCWA.

# 1 System Description

Sewage System Name:	<b>North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon</b>
Sewage System Works Number:	110001382
Sewage System Address:	543083 Proctors Road, Part 13 & 14, Concession 2, Township of Buck, District of Timiskaming, ON
Sewage System Owner:	Corporation of the City of Temiskaming Shores
Sewage Treatment ECA:	3-0077-94-006, issued March 8, 1994
Sewage Collection ECA:	218-W601, issued October 27, 2023
Reporting Period:	January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

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<b>Capacity of Works:</b>	1200 m <sup>3</sup> /day annual average, 2900 m <sup>3</sup> /day peak
<b>Service Area:</b>	Temiskaming Shores, subsection North Cobalt
<b>Service Population:</b>	980
<b>Effluent Receiver:</b>	Farr Creek
<b>Major Process:</b>	Three-celled Aerated, Phosphorus Removal Lagoon

The North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon serves the residents of North Cobalt (South Haileybury) and is designed to treat a daily average flow capacity of 1200 m<sup>3</sup>/day and a peak flow of 2900 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The system consists of three aerated facultative lagoons each having a capacity of 21,500 m<sup>3</sup>. The lagoon continuously discharges to Farr Creek which eventually discharges to Lake Temiskaming.

The North Cobalt Lagoon system is a continuous discharge lagoon comprised of a grit removal facility, three aerated facultative lagoons and two sludge storage transfer lagoons. The control building contains a 27,200 L alum storage tank, air supply system, ultra-violet light disinfection system and Parshall flume for flow measurement. A 100 kW standby diesel generator set is available to supply power in emergency situations

The sewage treatment lagoon consists of the following;

**Grit removal facility** with manual bar screen consisting of three grit channels each 5m x 0.75m x 0.6m wide two of which are individually equipped with a v-notch weirs;

**Aerated lagoon system** with three cells in series each having a 0.86 hectare surface area, and a storage capacity of 19,100 m<sup>3</sup> at a nominal depth of 3.5 m. Each of the lagoon cells are equipped with fine bubble diffusers. The system is equipped with interconnecting sewers and chambers including a submersible sewage pump capable of delivering 13 L/s at 6.1 m TDH in Drain Chamber No. 3, and a 300 mm effluent discharge with a submerge outfall structure in Farr Creek. There



are two sludge storage cells with each cell having a capacity of 1500 m<sup>3</sup> at a nominal depth of three metres. Each cell is equipped with air diffusers, mixer and a common submersible sewage pump rated at 12.6 L/s at 8m TDH. In 2014, the lagoon's underdrain system was plugged and a pump was installed, which operates on level, to direct any underdrain wastewater to Cell No. 2.

**Control Building** housing the following;

- an ultra-violet disinfection system (Trojan UV 3000 B) comprised of two banks totaling 32 lamps with a nominal intensity of 11,000 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> and 7.57 s retention time of 38.92 cm/s;
- a 27,200 L alum storage tank;
- an air supply system for the fine bubble diffusers consisting of three rotary positive blowers delivers air through a 150mm air header line to the diffusers in the lagoons cells;
- an air supply system of the sludge storage cells consisting of an air compressor, 1500 L receiver tank, particulate filter, oil filter and 75 mm air header line to the transfers cells;
- a Parshall Flume for measuring effluent flows to Farr Creek;
- a 100 kW diesel generator for back-up power

**Alum Building** houses two 1100 L alum feed tanks and feed lines for phosphorus removal. The building is located between Cell No. 1 and Cell No. 2 and the system feeds alum into Cell No. 2.

**Sludge Storage Transfer Lagoons** each have a capacity of 1500 m<sup>3</sup> at a nominal depth of 3 meters. The lagoons are currently not in use as sludge has not been removed.

The North Cobalt sewage collection system consists of trunk sewers, separate sewers, nominally separate sewers, forcemains and two (2) sewage pumping stations that direct sanitary sewage to the lagoon North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon. One station is located on Station Street and the other on Groom Drive.

**Station Street SPS** is located on Lot 10, Con 2 on Station Street in the community of North Cobalt. The pumping station consists of a poured concrete wet well and two submersible pumps each capable of delivering sewage at a rate of 11.4 L/s at 14.6 meters TDH. It includes an overflow manhole equipped with an overflow pump, piping, valves, instrumentation, and mechanical/electrical equipment for the operation of the pumping station. The station is powered by an MCC (Motor Control Center) and fully controlled by a PLC SCADA system.

The wet well is equipped with a Milltronics level system as well as a back-up float system with a series of alarms. OCWA's remote monitoring system is used to monitor sewage levels and volumes.

The system has a flow meter and chlorine dosing system to measure and treat collection system overflows. The overflow discharge is to an Farr Creek that flows to Lake Temiskaming.

The station is equipped with a 25 kW standby diesel generator which is located inside the pump house building.

**Groom Drive SPS** is located south of Groom Drive at Queen Street in the community of North Cobalt. The pumping station consists of a poured concrete wet well and two submersible pumps each capable of delivering sewage at a rate of 3.8 L/s at 7.4 meters TDH. The station is equipped with piping, valves, instrumentation, and mechanical/electrical equipment for the operation of the pumping station, is powered by an MCC and fully controlled by a PLC SCADA system.

The wet well is equipped with a Milltronics level system as well as a back-up float system with a series of alarms. OCWA's remote monitoring system is used to monitor sewage levels and pumping hours.

A 30 kW portable diesel generator is stored off-site at the Temiskaming Shores Public Works Garage to ensure its operation in the winter months.

## 2 Monitoring Program

### 2.1 Monitoring Program as Outlined in the Environmental Compliance Approval

*Table 1: Analytical Parameters*

<b>BOD<sub>5</sub></b>	Five Day Biochemical Oxygen Demand – is measured in an unfiltered sample; includes carbonaceous and nitrogenous oxygen demand. It refers to the amount of oxygen consumed by organic matter in a specific volume of water at a specific temperature over a 5 day period. High BOD <sub>5</sub> in effluent means a large quantity of oxygen was needed to break down the organic matter and identifies a large amount of organic matter in the effluent indicating inadequate treatment.
<b>TSS</b>	Total Suspended Solids – the dry weight of suspended particles that are not dissolved in water and can be filtered. TSS is composed of settleable solids and non-settleable solids depending on the size, shape and weight of the solid particles. Settable solids are large sized particles that tend to settle more rapidly in a given period of time. High TSS may decrease water’s natural dissolved oxygen levels and increase water temperature which may prevent organisms from surviving in the waters.
<b>TP</b>	Total Phosphorus – a measure of all phosphorus found in a sample, whether it is dissolved or particulate. Phosphorus is an essential nutrient that contributes to plant productivity. TP is commonly used to determine the health of water bodies and excess TP can stimulate algae and weed growth that may cause fluctuations in dissolved oxygen in the receiving waters.

*Table 1: Analytical Parameters*

<b>TAN</b>	Total Ammonia Nitrogen – the total amount of nitrogen in the forms of Ammonium (NH <sub>4</sub> ) and Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> ). Ammonia is one of several forms of nitrogen that exist in aquatic environments and can cause direct toxic effects on aquatic life. High levels of ammonia can corrode and damage critical pieces of infrastructure.
<b>TKN</b>	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen – measures both total organic nitrogen and ammonium. Excess nitrogen in water bodies can lead to harmful algal blooms and other negative impacts on aquatic ecosystems.
<b>NO<sub>2</sub>-N</b>	Nitrogen as Nitrite – can cause excessive algae and plant growth which can deplete oxygen of waterbodies resulting in the death of fish and other aquatic organisms.
<b>NO<sub>3</sub>-N</b>	Nitrogen as Nitrate – nitrates are essential plant nutrients, but in excess amounts they can cause significant algae and plant growth and contribute to water quality problems.
<b><i>E. coli</i></b>	<i>Escherichia coli</i> – Thermally tolerant forms of <i>Escherichia</i> bacteria that can live in the intestines of humans and warm-blooded animals. There are hundreds of <i>E. coli</i> strains and most are relatively harmless, however a notorious exception is <i>E. coli</i> strain 0157:H7, an emerging pathogen that produces a powerful toxin and can cause severe illness. <i>E. coli</i> is used as the most widely adopted indicator of faecal pollution in water and wastewater.
<b>Alkalinity</b>	Alkalinity is an acid neutralizing agent that resists changes in pH. Wastewater systems which include biological processes function best at an optimal pH and alkalinity is needed to ensure pH remains in the optimal range.
<b>pH</b>	Potential of Hydrogen – expresses the degree or intensity of both acidic and alkaline reactions on a scale from 0 to 14 with 7 being neutral, number less than 7 signify increasingly greater acidic solutions, and numbers greater than 7 signify increasingly basic or alkaline reactions. Very high or very low pH levels can be corrosive to pipes, screening equipment and pumps, can damage biological processes and form undesirable toxic gases or heavy metals.

*Table 2: Sampling Requirements for the Raw Sewage (Influent)*

Parameter	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency
BOD <sub>5</sub>	24 hour composite	weekly
TSS	24 hour composite	weekly
TP	24 hour composite	weekly

Parameter	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency
TKN	24 hour composite	weekly
Alkalinity	24 hour composite	weekly

Table 3: Sampling Requirements for the Final Effluent

Parameter	Type of Sample	Minimum Frequency
BOD <sub>5</sub>	24 hour composite	weekly
TSS	24 hour composite	weekly
TP	24 hour composite	weekly
TKN	24 hour composite	weekly
TAN (NH <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> + NH <sub>4</sub> as N)	24 hour composite	weekly
NO <sub>2</sub> -N	24 hour composite	weekly
NO <sub>3</sub> -N	24 hour composite	weekly
Alkalinity	24 hour composite	weekly
pH	24 hour composite	weekly
Temperature	grab	weekly
<i>E. coli</i>	grab	weekly

## 3 Interpretation of Monitoring and Analytical Data

### 3.1 Influent Flow

The influent flow is a measurement based on the total volume of wastewater taken in each day. The system is equipped with flow meters installed on two of three grit channels at the head of the treatment works to measure the raw sewage into the lagoon.

The rated capacity of the North Cobalt Wastewater Lagoon is 1200 m<sup>3</sup>/day (average daily flow). The average flow is defined as the total flow to the sewage works during the period of operation upon which the report is based, divided by the number of days in the period.

Compliance is achieved when the average daily influent flow does not exceed 1200 m<sup>3</sup>/day or a peak design flow of 2900 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The average daily flow for 2024 was 422 m<sup>3</sup>/day which is 35% of the average rated capacity. A peak flow of 5049 m<sup>3</sup>/day was reached on April 12<sup>th</sup> during an extreme rainfall event. This was the highest peak flow since 2015 (3752 m<sup>3</sup>/day).

The total amount of sewage received by the lagoon in 2024 was 154,338 m<sup>3</sup>.

Figure 1 compares the monthly influent flow rates recorded in 2024 to the rated capacity and peak capacity of the plant.

Flow trends are critical to assessing the adequacy of size of the treatment system. Figure 2 shows both the annual average and annual peak values from 2014 to 2024 plotted against the rated capacity and peak flow capacity of the wastewater system.

### 3.1.1 Monthly Influent Flows

*Table 4: Comparison of the Monthly Influent Flows to the Rated Capacity*

Month	Total Influent Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	Average Daily Influent Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	% of the Avg. Capacity (1200 m <sup>3</sup> /d)	Maximum Daily Influent Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	% of the Max. Capacity (2900 m <sup>3</sup> /d)
January	6626	214	18%	288	10%
February	8371	289	24%	1519	52%
March	19,352	624	52%	2218	76%
April	27,289	910	76%	5049	174%
May	10,526	340	28%	714	25%
June	9212	307	26%	1066	37%
July	9492	306	26%	585	20%
August	5707	184	15%	705	24%
September	12,506	417	35%	1049	36%
October	11,180	361	30%	2141	74%
November	21,667	722	60%	2922	101%
December	12,411	400	33%	2123	73%

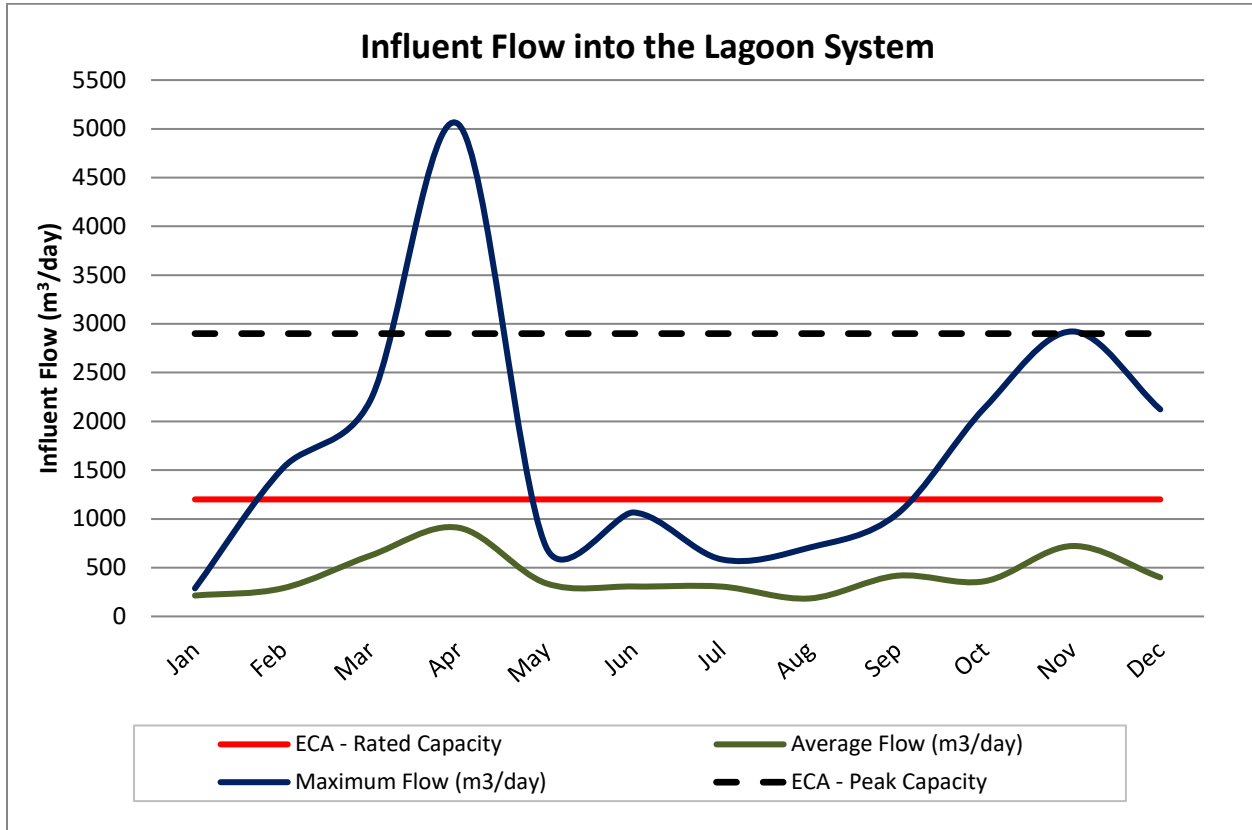


Figure 1 – 2024 Average Influent Flow into the North Cobalt Lagoon

### 3.1.2 Annual Influent Flows

Table 5: Comparison of the Annual Influent Flow to the Rated Capacity

Rated Design Capacity (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	1200	Maximum Flow Capacity (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	2900
2024 Average Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	422	2024 Maximum Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	5049
Percent of Capacity (%)	35%	Percent of Capacity (%)	174%
Total volume of sewage influent in 2024		154,338 m <sup>3</sup>	

### 3.1.3 Historical Influent Flows

Table 6: Comparison of Historical Influent Flows (2014 to 2024)

Year	Total Influent Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	Maximum Influent Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	% Maximum of Peak Capacity (2900 m <sup>3</sup> /d)	Average Day Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /d)	% Average of Rated Capacity (1200 m <sup>3</sup> /d)
2024	154,338	5049	174%	422	35%
2023	155,216	3455	119%	425	35%
2022	174,031	2818	97%	577	40%
2021	169,881	2408	83%	465	39%
2020	201,487	3083	106%	550	46%
2019	210,487	3068	106%	577	48%
2018	175,329	2545	88%	480	40%
2017	213,567	2455	85%	585	49%
2016	187,606	2972	102%	513	43%
2015	193,330	3752	129%	574	48%
2014	172,937	1983	68%	474	40%

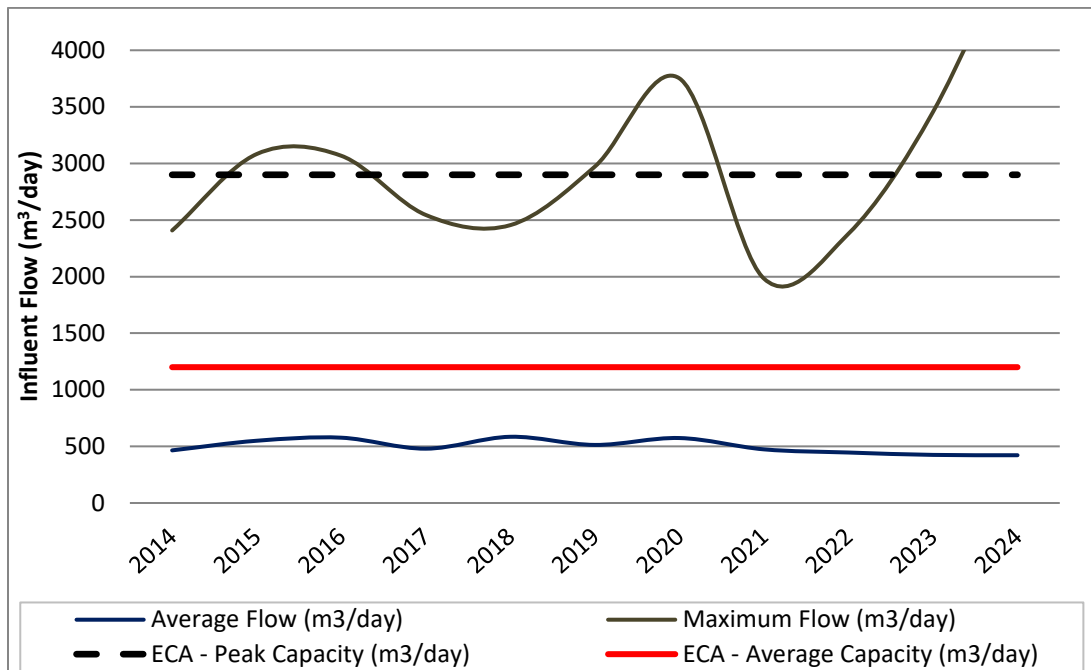


Figure 2 – Historical Influent Flow Trends (2014 to 2024)

### 3.2 Effluent Flows

The effluent flow is measured using a Parshall Flume located on the effluent discharge pipe to measure flows into Farr Creek.

### 3.3 Influent Verses Effluent Flows

The total volume of influent flow measured in 2024 was 154,338 compared to the effluent flow of 177,891 m<sup>3</sup>.

Table 7 and Figure 3 compare the 2024 influent flows to the effluent flows.

*Table 7: Influent and Effluent Flow Comparison for 2024*

<b>2024</b>	<b>Influent Flow (m<sup>3</sup>/month)</b>	<b>Effluent Flow (m<sup>3</sup>/month)</b>	<b>Flow Difference (Effluent – Influent)</b>
January	6626	6893	267
February	8371	9632	1261
March	19352	23,969	4617
April	27289	29,714	2425
May	10526	13,990	3464
June	9212	10,084	872
July	9492	9177	-315
August	5707	6113	405
September	12,506	13,088	582
October	11,180	12,922	1743
November	21,667	28,380	6713
December	12,412	13,931	1519
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>154,338</b>	<b>177,891</b>	<b>23,553</b>



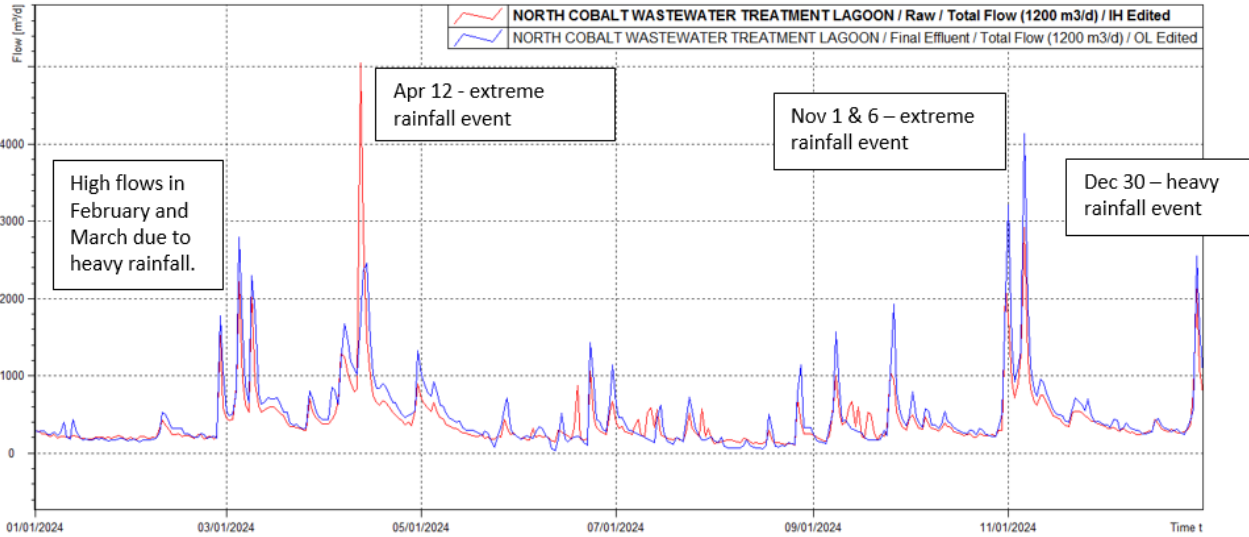


Figure 3 – Comparison of Influent and Effluent Flows (2024)

### 3.4 Influent (Raw Sewage) Quality

Influent samples are required to be collected on a weekly basis. This section summarizes the annual average and annual maximum concentrations of analytical parameters tested in 2024. A summary of the monthly monitoring data is available in Appendix A.

Table 8: Influent Concentrations

Parameter	Annual Average	Annual Maximum
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	221	1400
TSS (mg/L)	245	2170
TP (mg/L)	5.3	26
TKN (mg/L)	36	146
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	< 253	348

"<" means values include results that were less than the laboratory's method detection limit

Note: Testmark Laboratories missed testing alkalinity on a influent sample collected on October 8, 2024.

#### 3.4.1 Historical Trends of Influent Characteristics

The characteristics of the raw wastewater influence the design and efficacy of the wastewater treatment process. Influent data and trends for BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, TP, TKN and Alkalinity for the last 11 years data is provided in Appendix B.

The trends show that the average BOD<sub>5</sub> concentration varied from 64 to 221 mg/L over the past 11 years with a maximum level of 2200 mg/L in 2018.

The average TSS concentration ranged from 58 to 328 with a maximum concentration of 3640 mg/L in 2021.

The average TP concentration varied slightly from 2.1 to 5.3 with a maximum concentration of 45 mg/L in 2018.

The average TKN concentration fluctuated from 18 to 36 with a maximum concentration of 191 mg/L in 2021.

The average alkalinity concentrations remained fairly consistent over the past 11 years having results ranging from 200 to 253 mg/L.

### 3.5 Effluent Quality

The North Cobalt sewage effluent quality is based on the carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (cBOD<sub>5</sub>), total suspended solids (TSS), total phosphorus (TP) and *E. coli* levels. In 2024, the lagoon produced a high quality effluent which met the compliance limits specified in the system's ECA. Summaries of the minimum and maximum monthly averages for the final effluent concentrations are shown in Table 9 along with the annual minimum and maximum pH and temperature results. The effluent loadings are shown in Table 10.

Table 9: Effluent Concentrations

Parameter	Monthly Average (minimum)	Monthly Average (maximum)	Compliance Limit (monthly average)	Exceedance
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	2.08	7.53	25	No
TSS (mg/L)	< 1.6	11.3	25	No
TP (mg/L)	0.027	0.241	1.5	No
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	< 5	6	200 ( <i>geomean</i> )	No
TKN (mg/L)	3.4	11	N/A	N/A
TAN (mg/L)	1.21	9.40	N/A	N/A
NO <sub>3</sub> -N (mg/L)	0.52	1.62	N/A	N/A
NO <sub>2</sub> -N (mg/L)	< 0.05	0.13	N/A	N/A
Alkalinity (mg/L)	17.5	158	N/A	N/A

Parameter	Annual Minimum	Annual Maximum	Operation Guideline	Exceedance
pH (in field)	6.61	8.10	6.0 to 9.5 (inclusive)	No
pH (tested by lab)	6.36	8.62		No
Temperature (°C)	0.2	25	N/A	N/A

"<" means values include results that were less than the laboratory's method detection limit

*Table 10: Effluent Loadings*

Parameter	Monthly Average (minimum)	Monthly Average (maximum)	Compliance Limit (monthly average)	Exceedance
BOD <sub>5</sub> (kg/d)	< 0.56	7.27	30	No
TSS (kg/d)	< 0.36	11.2	30	No
TP (kg/d)	0.005	0.186	1.8	No

Appendix A includes a Monthly Process Data Report which summarizes the effluent monitoring and analysis conducted at the facility during the reporting period.

### 3.6 Sewage Treatment Program Success and Adequacy

The Performance Summary shows the efficiency of the lagoon performance through pollutant removal rates from raw sewage through to the final effluent.

Table 11 demonstrates that the lagoon treatment process was very successful in decreasing the levels of BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS and TP and quite effective in reducing TKN from the influent, producing a high quality effluent.

*Table 11: Performance Summary*

Parameter	Influent (annual average)	Effluent (annual average)	% Removal
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	221	< 4.3	98%
TSS (mg/L)	245	< 5.4	98%
TP (mg/L)	5.3	0.07	99%
TKN (mg/L)	36	12	67%

## 4 Effluent Quality Assurance and Control Measures Undertaken

The following activities are included in regular operator and supervisory activities to assure high level performance of the sewage treatment operations including high effluent quality and accurate flow monitoring:

- Operational staff have current and appropriate level of certification for the operation of the facility and continue to learn and achieve knowledge of the process and equipment. Experienced staff has a high level of regulatory competence. New staff receives on-going training to achieve operational knowledge and regulatory competence.
- The pumping stations and lagoon site are inspected by a certified OCWA operator regularly during the work week.
- Certified operators conduct daily reviews of selected data from continuous monitoring equipment which is captured by a remote monitoring system.
- In-house tests; pH and temperature, are conducted by licensed operators for monitoring purposes using standard methods for Water and Wastewater.
- Samples are collected as required and analyzed by Testmark Laboratories. Analysis of the samples is conducted in accordance with the Standard Council of Canada (SCC), in cooperation with the Canadian Association for Laboratory Accreditation Inc. (CALA). Quality control procedures are method specific and include laboratory duplicate samples, spiked blanks and spiked duplicates.
- A sampling system which includes an excel sample calendar, which is updated at the beginning of each year, and a chain of custody binder are used to ensure all samples are collected as per the requirements identified in the system's ECA.
- Operations and Compliance staff review facility round sheets and laboratory reports to monitor the routine operation of the treatment system and ensure compliance with the ECA.
- All process and laboratory data is logged in a process data management system.
- Routine maintenance is scheduled and tracked to completion using OCWA's Workplace Maintenance System (WMS). Instrumentation equipment is tested and maintained as per manufacturer's recommendations.
- Certified operators monitor chemical usage and make adjustments as required.
- Alum Sulphate is added to the lagoon to reduce total phosphorus levels and help settle solids.
- Any bypass, overflow or upset events that occur in the system are tested, monitored and reported to the local Health Unit and Spills Action Center (SAC) and local Health Unit.

- All flow, influent and effluent quality data is reviewed by the Overall Responsible Operator and Compliance staff to identify any changes in concentrations and/or emerging trends. All non-compliances are reported to Ministry's Spills Action Center (SAC) and the local MECP inspector.
- The Cobalt Lagoon has produced high quality effluent with no regulatory limit or objective exceedances.

## 5 Efforts Made to Meet Effluent Objectives

The Effluent Design Objectives are those levels of performance which can be achieved by treatment processes treating normal strength municipal sewage under optimum conditions. A sewage treatment facility should be able to produce annual average effluent quality approximately equal to the Effluent Design Objectives, but should not exceed the Effluent Compliance Limits. The objectives are used to promote continuous improvement in the operations of the works and to trigger corrective action before environmental impairment occurs.

OCWA uses a number of best efforts to achieve the Effluent Objectives.

- Certified operational staff have a high level of process knowledge and regulatory proficiency.
- The mechanical elements in the facility are regularly inspected, well maintained and kept in good repair. OCWA uses a computerized maintenance management program which generates works orders to ensure maintenance of equipment is proactively performed.
- Raw wastewater and effluent samples are collected as required and analyzed by Testmark Laboratories, an accredited laboratory. OCWA reviews these results on a regular basis to confirm compliance with ECA objective and limits.
- In-house sampling and testing for selected operational parameters provides real-time results which are used to enhance process and operational performance.
- Operations, maintenance and emergency procedures are available to ensure facilities are operated in compliance with applicable legal instruments. Facility staff has access to a network of operational compliance and support experts at the region and corporate levels.
- A five year rolling recommended capital and major maintenance report is used to assist the Owner and OCWA with planning infrastructure needs for the short and long terms. A letter summarizing capital work recommendations a provided to the Owner each year for their approval.

The North Cobalt Lagoon met the monthly effluent objectives for BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, and TP. A summary of results are provided in the tables below.

*Table 12: Effluent Concentration Objectives*

Parameter	Monthly Average (minimum)	Monthly Average (maximum)	Compliance Limit (monthly average)	Exceedance
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	2.08	7.53	15	No
TSS (mg/L)	< 1.6	11.3	15	No
TP (mg/L)	0.03	0.24	1.0	No

*Table 13: Effluent Loading Objectives*

Parameter	Monthly Average (minimum)	Monthly Average (maximum)	Compliance Limit (monthly average)	Exceedance
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	< 0.56	7.27	18	No
TSS (mg/L)	< 0.36	11.2	18	No
TP (mg/L)	0.005	0.186	1.2	No

## 6 Operating Problems & Corrective Actions

Operating problems encountered during 2024 are summarized below.

- To control algae growth in the warmer months which can result in elevated TSS concentrations, alum was injected into Cell No. 2 and Cell No. 3.
- Station Street SPS - Six (6) overflow events occurred during heavy rainfall and spring snow melt. Refer to Section 10 for further details.

## 7 Maintenance Procedures Performed on the Works

Routine maintenance schedules are entered in OCWA’s computerized Workplace Management System (WMS). This is a comprehensive maintenance program that is based on a pro-active and preventive approach. This program includes but is not limited to running weekly, monthly, and annually checks as required or as recommended by manufacturer’s instructions. All routine and preventative maintenance was conducted in 2024. A summary of maintenance performed, which includes preventative work, capital projects and emergency repairs is available in Appendix C.

Significant maintenance and improvements that took place during 2024 include:

North Cobalt Lagoon

- Replaced alum feed pumps
- Installed a level transmitter on the alum tank
- Replaced Roots blower
- Repaired underdrain pump, piping and lifting chain
- Replaced a failed UV sensor and faulty power cable for the UV system
- Cleaned grit channels, wet well, cross over chamber and manholes

Station Street Sewage Pumping Station

- Replaced pump No. 2
- Installed an intrusion alarm system

## 8 Calibration & Maintenance of all Monitoring Equipment

Influent and effluent monitoring equipment is calibrated based on requirements of the system’s ECA or manufactures recommendations. Flow meters are calibrated annually to ensure a required accuracy of +/- 5%. pH meters are calibrated to ensure an acceptable tolerance and accuracy as specified by the manufacturer.

Routine maintenance was conducted as scheduled by qualified Instrumentation Technicians during the reporting period. Refer to Table 12 for a summary of calibrations conducted in 2024.

*Table 14: Calibration Summary*

Instrument	Calibration Date	% Accuracy	Requirement
Raw Flow Meter – Channel No. 1	July 23, 2024	99.6%	+/- 5%
Raw Flow Meter – Channel No. 2	July 23, 2024	99.9%	+/- 5%
Effluent Flow Meter	July 23, 2024	99.1%	+/- 5%
Station St. SPS Overflow Meter	July 17, 2024	100%	+/- 5%
pH Analyzer	January 3, April 17, June 26, November 10, 2024	Within tolerance	
Portable pH Analyzer	January 3, April 3, June 12, October 8, 2024	Within tolerance	

## 9 Sludge Generation and Disposal

The systems ECA requires sludge volumes to be tabulated each year and anticipated volumes to be generated over the next reporting period.

No sludge was disposed of during this reporting period and it's anticipated that no sludge will be disposed of in 2025.

Sludge and water depths were measured in 2020, 2021 and 2023. Sludge depths were estimated for year 2022 and no sludge was measured in 2024.

*Table 15: Sludge Volume Cell 1*

Date	Sample Points	Average Depths (m)		Sludge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	% Capacity
		Water	Sludge		
Oct. 8, 2020	6	3.2	0.37	3182	17%
Aug. 19, 2021	16	3.2	0.70	6020	32%
2022 (estimate)	-	-	0.50	4300	23%
Jun. 29, 2023	12	2.3	0.18	1548	8%
2024	-	-	-	-	-

As per the Operations Manual: Operating depth = 3.5 m, Area = 8600 m<sup>2</sup>, Operating Capacity = 19,100 m<sup>3</sup>

*Table 16: Sludge Volume Cell 2*

Date	Sample Points	Average Depths (m)		Sludge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	% Capacity
		Water	Sludge		
Oct. 8, 2020	9	3.5	0.31	2666	14%
Aug. 19, 2021	16	3.4	0.43	3698	19%
2022 (estimate)	-	-	0.37	3182	17%
Jun. 29, 2023	12	2.5	0.21	1806	9%
2024	-	-	0.20	-	-

As per the Operations Manual: Operating depth = 3.5 m, Area = 8600 m<sup>2</sup>, Operating Capacity = 19,100 m<sup>3</sup>



Table 17: Sludge Volume Cell 3

Date	Sample Points	Average Depths (m)		Sludge Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	% Capacity
		Water	Sludge		
Oct. 6, 2020	9	3.5	0.11	946	5%
Aug. 19, 2021	16	3.4	0.44	3784	20%
2022 (estimate)	-	-	0.37	3182	17%
Jun. 29, 2023	10	2.3	0.13	1118	6%
2024	-	-	-		

As per the Operations Manual: Operating depth = 3.5 m, Area = 8600 m<sup>2</sup>, Operating Capacity = 19,100 m<sup>3</sup>

## 10 Abnormal Discharge Events

### 10.1 Overflow, Bypass and Spill Events

Six (6) overflow events occurred at the Station Street (No. 2) sewage pumping station during the reporting period. The overflow events occurred during Spring snow melt or heavy periods of rainfall which caused the flow to exceed the station's capacity. The untreated wastewater was sampled and tested for BOD<sub>5</sub>, TSS, TP, TKN and *E. coli* as required under condition 3.0(3.4)(3.4.1b) of the ECA. The discharge was chlorinated before entering the receiving waterbody. The events were reported to the Ministry's Spills Action Center (SAC) and local Health Unit as per the collection system's ECA and to Environment Canada as required under the Federal Fisheries Act.

Table 18 summarizes the event and Appendix D provides a detailed record including sample results.

Table 18: Summary of Abnormal Discharge Events in 2024

Date	Duration	Type	Cause	Adverse Impacts	Estimated Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )
February 28	8 minutes	Overflow	Heavy rains & snow melt	None	8.1
April 12	25.4 hours	Overflow	Extreme rainfall	None	1200
August 27	14 minutes	Overflow	Heavy rainfall	None	1.8
September 25	21 minutes	Overflow	Heavy rainfall	None	18
October 31	58 minutes	Overflow	Heavy rainfall	None	17
November 6	6.8 hours	Overflow	Steady rainfall	None	150

## **10.2 Efforts Made to Reduce System Overflows and Bypasses**

The annual average daily influent flow into the lagoon is well below the rated capacity and overflows/bypasses/spills are very rare.

A review of historical data over the last 11 years (2014 to 2024) indicates that all abnormal discharge events occurred at the Station Street Sewage Pumping Station and discharge to a ditch next to the station, aka Mill Creek. Forty-two (42) overflow events occurred from 2014 to 2024 during heavy rains and/or snow melt.

In an effort to reduce and/or eliminate overflow, bypass and spill events and to conform with Procedure F-5-1, the following are in place.

- Emergency backup generators are installed at the lagoon site and sewage pumping station.
- A SCADA system is used to accurately monitor the sewage network and an alarm system is in place at key points in the process and at the sewage pumping station to alert operators of any issues; power failures, high levels, equipment failures, loss of communication and intrusion.
- Regular routine maintenance is performed to help reduce overflows/bypasses/spills events. For example: monthly generator tests to ensure the generators will start during a power failure and equipment will continue to operate normally, monthly alarm testing and equipment maintenance as outlined in the Maintenance Summary found in Appendix C.
- Repairs to the collection system are done promptly as issues occur.
- A program is in place to prevent roof leaders and sump pumps from being connected with sanitary new builds.
- To more accurately measure and monitor overflow volumes, the Station Street pump station is equipped with a flow meter to measure flow during overflow events.

## **10.3 Summary of Alterations to the System to Reduce Overflows**

Station Street SPS - Pump No. 2 was replaced with a more efficient unit to allow a larger volume of wastewater to be directed to the sewage treatment lagoon during high flow events.

## **10.4 Public Notification**

The system has a Public Notification Procedure to notify the public and downstream users that may be adversely affected in the event of an overflow or bypass at the lagoon. Signage will be posted at publicly accessible points located near all collection system overflow outfall locations before May 21, 2025 as required under the ECA .

## **11 Complaints**

No complaints were received during the reporting period.

## **12 Proposed Alterations to the Works**

Station Street SPS – replace Pump No. 1 at the Station Street SPS

Groom Drive SPS – installation of a data logger to trend wet well levels and pump status.

# **APPENDIX A**

## **Monthly Process Data Report**

NE\_N. Cobalt Lagoon Reg Report

From 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024

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WASTEWATER TREATMENT  
LAGOON

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Service Population: 980

Works: 110001382  
Facility Classification: Class 2 Wastewater Treatment  
Total Design Capacity: 1200 m3/day



														2024			
Influent - Raw Sewage	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Total	Avg	Max	Min	
Alkalinity (as CaCO3) - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	52.00				
Lab Month.Max	243.00	227.00	310.00	281.00	281.00	348.00	273.00	288.00	277.00	296.00	309.00	282.00			348.00		
Lab Month.Mean	228.40	< 166.75	252.50	261.20	257.25	293.00	250.00	268.75	245.00	268.00	291.50	253.40	<	252.62			
Lab Month.Min	196.00	< 2.00	140.00	242.00	235.00	243.00	234.00	260.00	225.00	253.00	279.00	192.00				< 2.00	
Biochemical Oxygen Demand: BOD5 - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	590.00	890.00	240.00	71.10	200.00	450.00	260.00	1400.00	260.00	260.00	180.00	1400.00			1400.00		
Lab Month.Mean	259.50	490.00	113.40	52.92	123.00	240.00	182.00	446.63	171.75	152.80	90.70	353.78		220.88			
Lab Month.Min	71.50	180.00	24.00	30.00	32.00	130.00	130.00	5.00	47.00	44.00	60.60	26.00				5.00	
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen: TKN - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	80.40	80.20	33.30	14.80	43.00	68.70	46.10	104.00	35.20	58.60	38.60	146.00			146.00		
Lab Month.Mean	44.06	57.35	22.18	9.98	25.88	46.20	34.78	58.33	30.03	38.30	19.90	47.82		36.12			
Lab Month.Min	21.10	36.00	8.70	4.80	9.60	28.40	17.80	37.30	24.70	21.40	11.50	13.70				4.80	
Total Phosphorus: TP - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	11.30	18.80	3.62	1.67	4.65	18.20	6.86	20.60	4.77	12.40	4.69	26.20			26.20		
Lab Month.Mean	6.11	9.37	2.29	1.23	3.01	8.38	4.34	9.45	3.77	5.49	2.68	7.91		5.31			
Lab Month.Min	2.70	3.91	0.51	0.83	1.21	3.38	2.57	3.79	2.58	2.10	1.65	1.71				0.51	
Total Suspended Solids: TSS - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	702.00	812.00	262.00	107.00	260.00	330.00	360.00	950.00	190.00	227.00	207.00	2170.00			2170.00		
Lab Month.Mean	261.20	542.75	136.50	73.80	177.75	260.25	205.00	392.00	112.13	124.40	132.50	530.50		245.09			
Lab Month.Min	35.00	154.00	57.00	43.00	49.00	144.00	101.00	62.00	34.00	23.00	103.00	19.50				19.50	
Final Effluent																	
Final Effluent	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024	Aug 2024	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Total	Avg	Max	Min	
Alkalinity (as CaCO3) - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	162.00	168.00	152.00	137.00	106.00	88.00	56.00	21.00	43.00	51.00	127.00	156.00			168.00		
Lab Month.Mean	154.00	158.00	149.00	126.00	89.25	61.25	30.20	17.50	36.25	49.20	113.50	149.20		95.13			
Lab Month.Min	145.00	151.00	144.00	105.00	75.00	34.00	16.00	15.00	27.00	47.00	86.00	140.00				15.00	

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BOD5 (25 mg/L) - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00			
Lab Month.Max	3.90	3.30	11.00	14.00	2.60	4.60	8.20	4.40	5.40	4.30	6.20	5.00				14.00	
Lab Month.Mean	< 2.52	2.88	7.53	7.34	2.08	2.43	5.68	4.05	4.25	3.52	5.18	3.56		< 4.28			
Lab Month.Min	< 0.50	1.80	5.10	2.70	1.10	0.80	4.10	3.50	3.50	2.60	4.40	2.20					< 0.50
E. Coli: (200 geomean) - cfu/100mL																	
GMD	5.00	5.00	5.95	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	1.50	2.66	1.38	2.24	1.38					
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	< 5.00	< 5.00	10.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	0.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00				10.00	
Lab Month.Mean	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 6.25	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	0.00	< 1.50	< 3.00	< 1.20	< 2.75	< 1.20		< 3.32			
Lab Month.Min	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	< 5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					0.00
Total Ammonia Nitrogen: NH3 + NH4+ as N - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	5.76	8.82	10.80	8.01	3.37	1.44	3.29	4.74	5.94	8.07	9.60	8.87				10.80	
Lab Month.Mean	4.75	7.68	9.40	4.77	2.21	1.21	2.42	4.33	5.33	7.32	8.75	8.14		5.52			
Lab Month.Min	3.35	6.55	8.04	2.67	1.76	1.00	1.35	3.80	4.57	6.58	8.16	7.47					1.00
Nitrite as N: NO2-N - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	0.16	0.12	0.08	0.15	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	0.07	0.11			0.16	
Lab Month.Mean	0.13	0.11	< 0.06	< 0.08	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	0.06	0.10		< 0.07		
Lab Month.Min	0.11	0.10	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.05	0.09					< 0.05
Nitrate as N: NO3-N - mg/L																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	1.97	1.21	0.61	1.17	1.38	1.17	0.83	0.58	0.80	0.99	0.99	1.00				1.97	
Lab Month.Mean	1.62	0.99	0.59	0.83	1.19	1.06	0.75	0.52	0.70	0.85	0.93	0.90		0.92			
Lab Month.Min	1.33	0.86	0.56	0.62	1.09	0.85	0.63	0.48	0.55	0.72	0.87	0.80					0.48
pH - ---																	
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
Lab Month.Max	7.53	7.58	7.74	8.10	7.65	7.82	7.20	6.96	7.51	7.49	7.65	7.66				8.10	
Lab Month.Mean	7.48	7.54	7.66	7.76	7.59	7.43	6.98	6.79	7.34	7.41	7.60	7.57		7.43			
Lab Month.Min	7.44	7.47	7.53	7.56	7.50	7.20	6.61	6.66	7.16	7.34	7.55	7.40					6.61
pH Field: Lab Upload (6.0 to 9.5) - ---																	
IH Edited Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00				
IH Month.Max	7.64	7.43	8.02	8.62	7.60	7.20	7.30	6.90	7.79	7.54	7.95	7.78				8.62	
IH Month.Mean	7.49	7.42	7.66	7.89	7.24	6.88	6.70	6.74	7.55	7.44	7.80	7.41		7.35			
IH Month.Min	7.37	7.40	7.30	7.18	7.09	6.51	6.36	6.60	7.26	7.30	7.57	6.89					6.36

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IH Month.Max	3.40	0.50	0.80	7.90	19.10	23.00	24.80	24.00	19.50	17.90	7.00	4.20				24.80
IH Month.Mean	1.02	0.40	0.55	5.32	16.10	20.50	23.24	22.00	18.10	12.02	5.03	1.14			10.27	
IH Month.Min	0.40	0.30	0.30	2.10	13.10	17.90	21.00	20.00	14.60	7.30	3.20	0.20				0.20
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen: TKN - mg/L																
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00	
Lab Month.Max	9.90	9.60	13.30	10.80	5.30	4.20	8.90	8.80	8.40	11.10	13.30	10.10				13.30
Lab Month.Mean	6.40	9.00	11.83	7.30	4.53	3.38	5.86	7.28	7.48	9.86	11.08	9.68			7.81	
Lab Month.Min	3.50	8.50	10.40	4.70	4.00	2.90	4.40	6.10	6.20	7.90	8.90	8.70				2.90
Total Phosphorus: TP (1.5 mg/L-Monthly) - mg/L																
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00	
Lab Month.Max	0.044	0.168	0.321	0.231	0.043	0.031	0.047	0.041	0.048	0.047	0.135	0.082				0.321
Lab Month.Mean	0.034	0.074	0.241	0.131	0.027	0.029	0.044	0.027	0.041	0.034	0.107	0.064			0.070	
Lab Month.Min	0.014	0.030	0.107	0.048	0.016	0.027	0.038	0.019	0.036	0.025	0.079	0.049				0.014
TSS (25 mg/L-Monthly) - mg/L																
Lab Count	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	53.00	
Lab Month.Max	3.00	14.00	11.00	20.00	5.50	5.50	7.00	5.50	4.50	8.00	10.00	4.00				20.00
Lab Month.Mean	< 1.60	< 8.25	8.13	11.30	3.75	4.25	< 3.10	3.63	< 3.38	7.10	7.30	3.34			< 5.41	
Lab Month.Min	< 1.00	< 1.00	1.50	4.50	2.00	2.00	< 1.00	2.00	< 1.00	5.50	5.00	2.70				< 1.00

# **APPENDIX B**

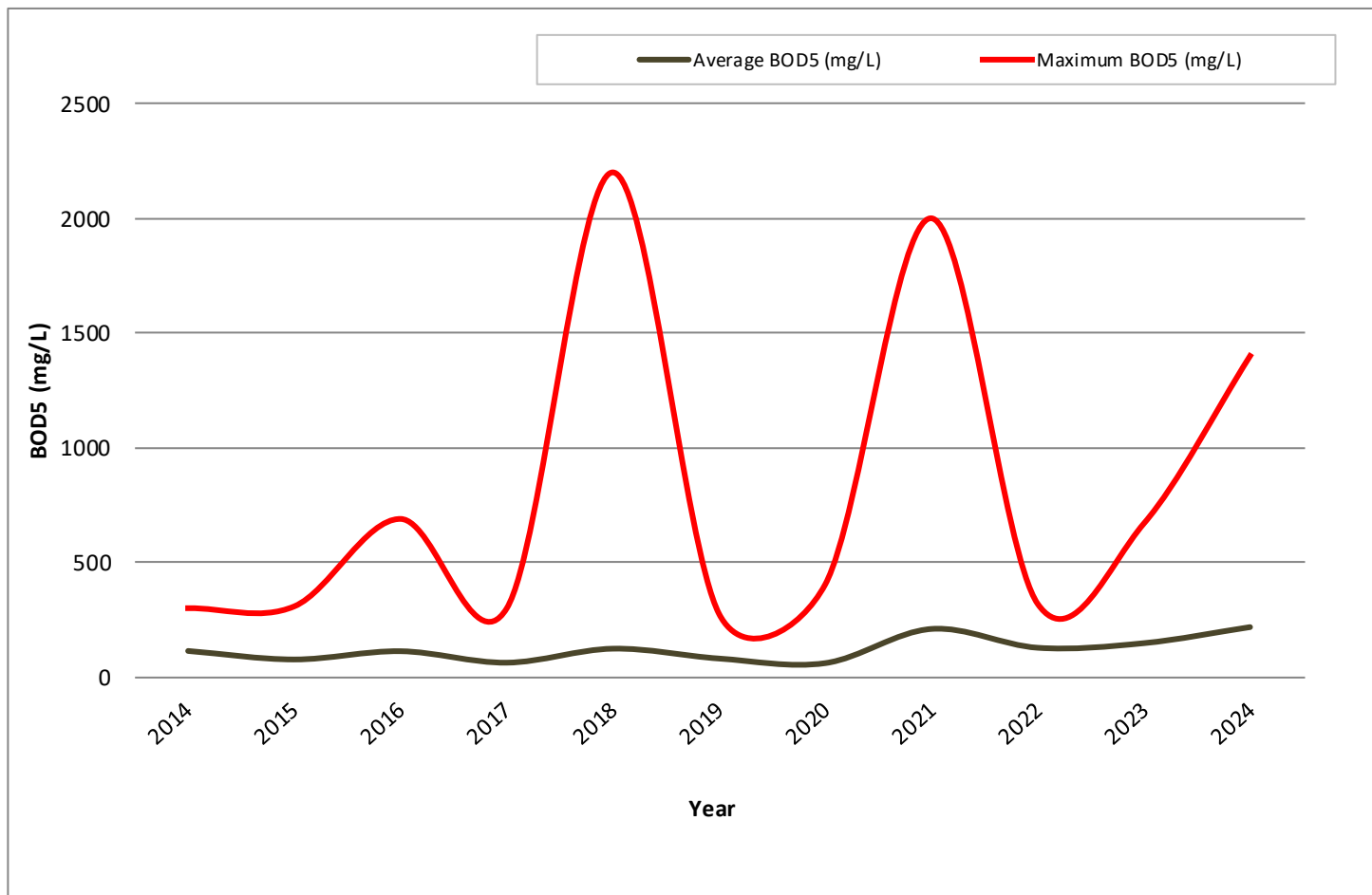
## **Historical Trends of Influent Characteristics**



**North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon  
Influent Characteristics – Historical Results (2014 to 2024)**

***BOD5 – Five Day Biochemical Oxygen Demand***

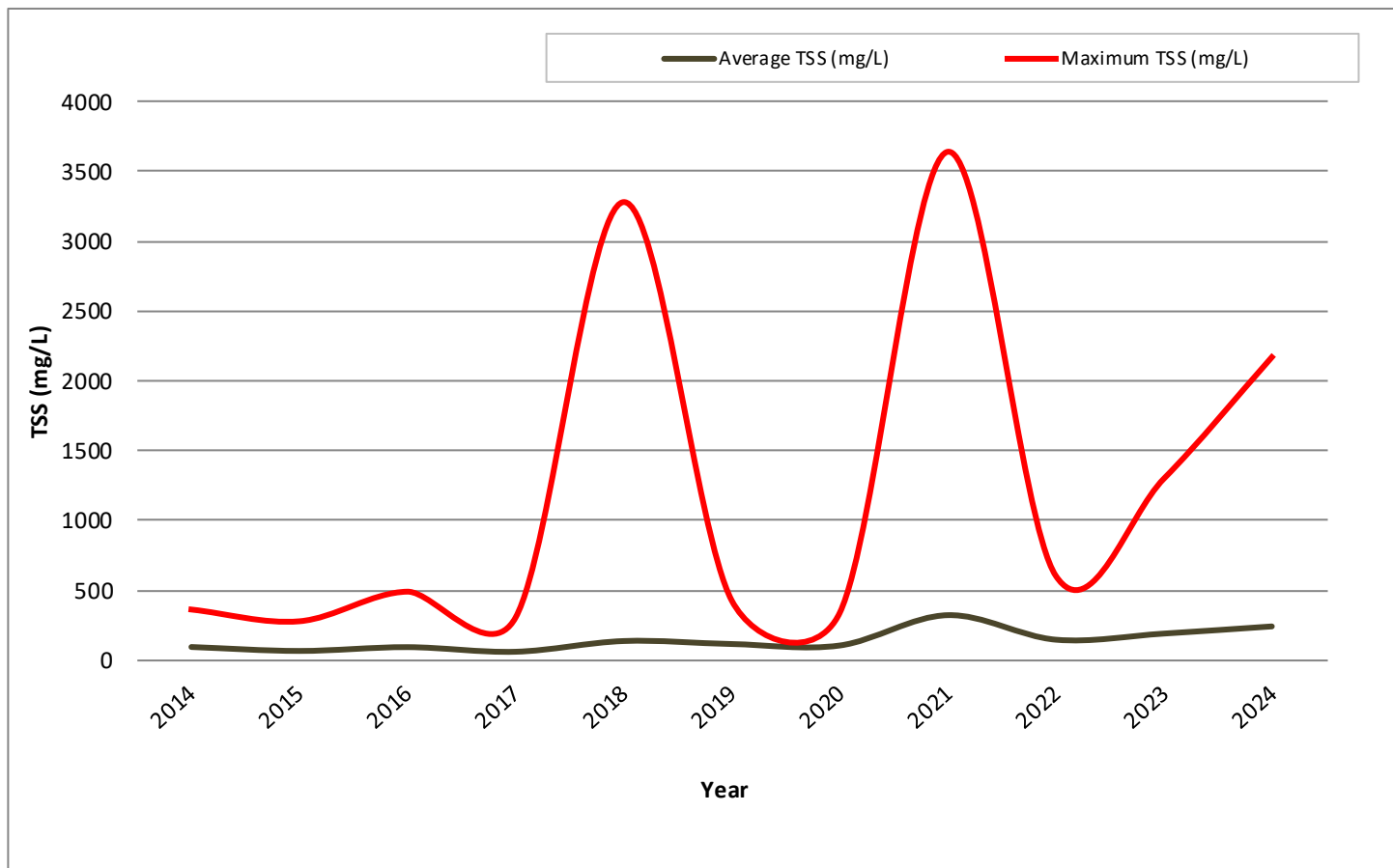
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<i>Average BOD5 (mg/L)</i>	117	80	116	66	127	84	64	213	131	151	221
<i>Maximum BOD5 (mg/L)</i>	301	309	690	300	2200	276	405	2000	320	670	1400



**North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon  
Influent Characteristics – Historical Results (2014 to 2024)**

**TSS – Total Suspended Solids**

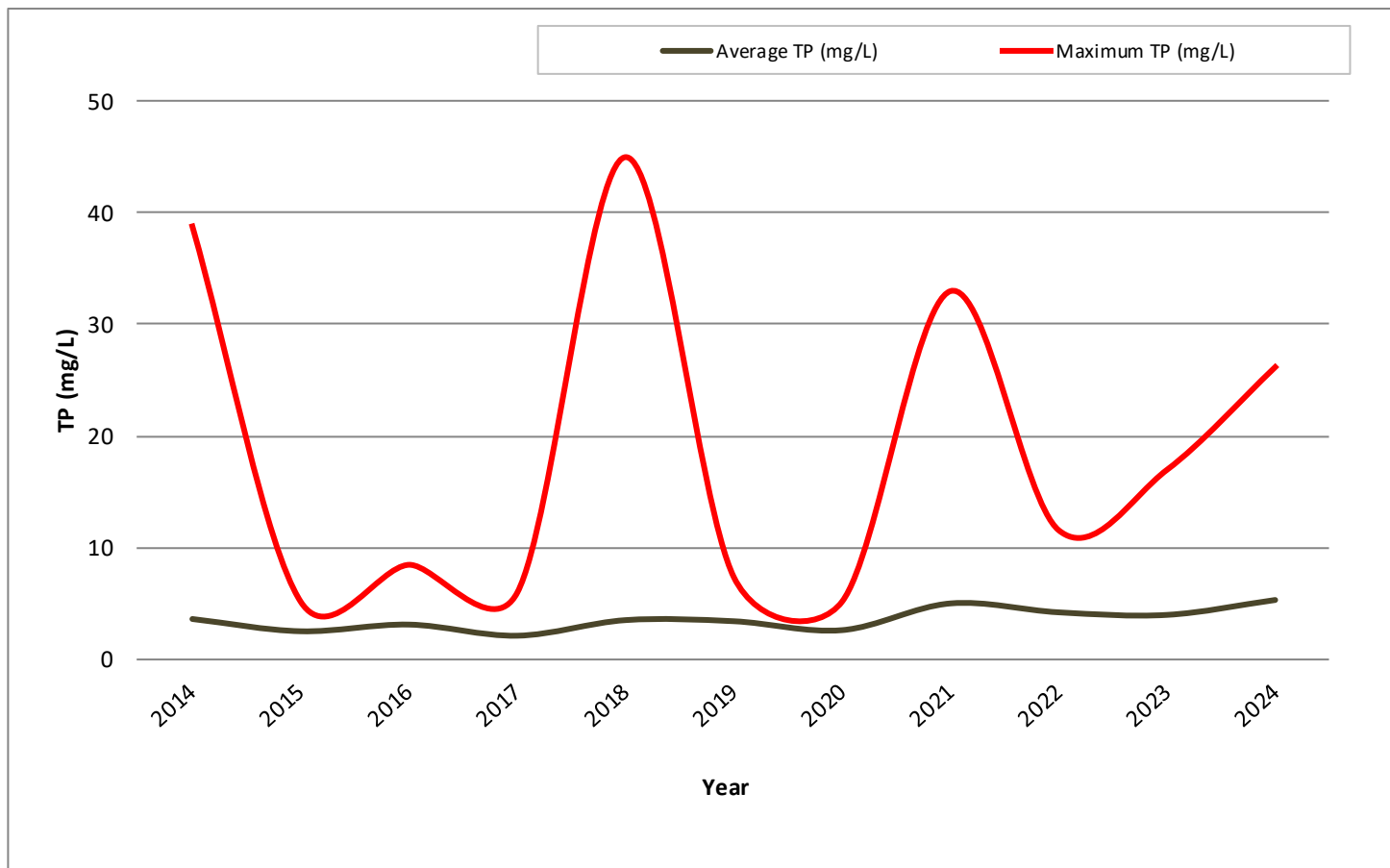
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Average TSS (mg/L)	93	64	92	58	137	115	104	328	147	192	245
Maximum TSS (mg/L)	364	280	492	306	3280	430	339	3640	606	1300	2170



**North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon  
Influent Characteristics – Historical Results (2014 to 2024)**

**TP - Total Phosphorus**

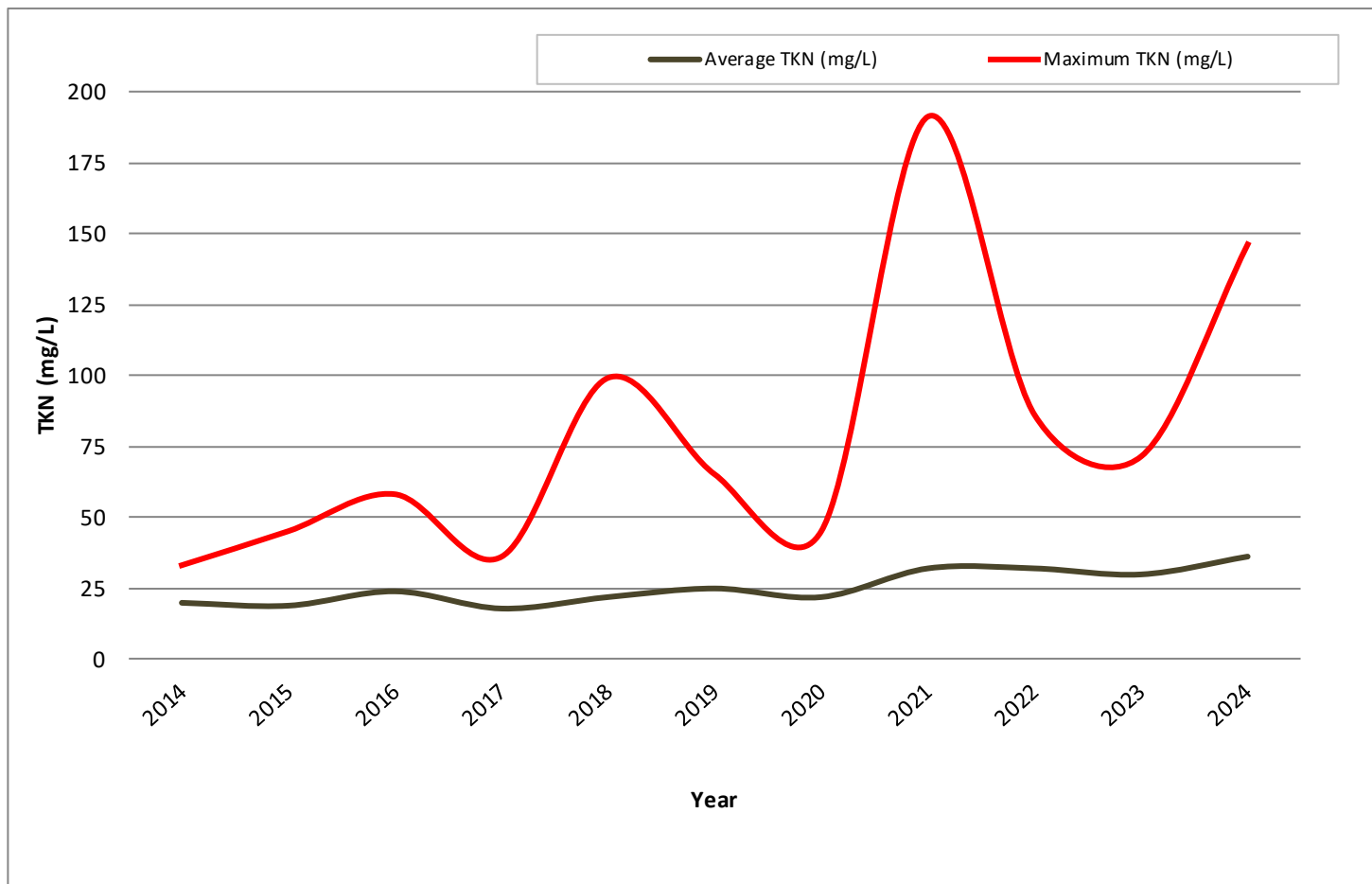
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Average TP (mg/L)	3.6	2.5	3.1	2.1	3.5	3.4	2.6	5.0	4.2	4.0	5.3
Maximum TP (mg/L)	39	5.2	8.5	6.0	45	7.4	5.2	33	12	17	26



**North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon  
Influent Characteristics – Historical Results (2014 to 2024)**

**TKN – Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen**

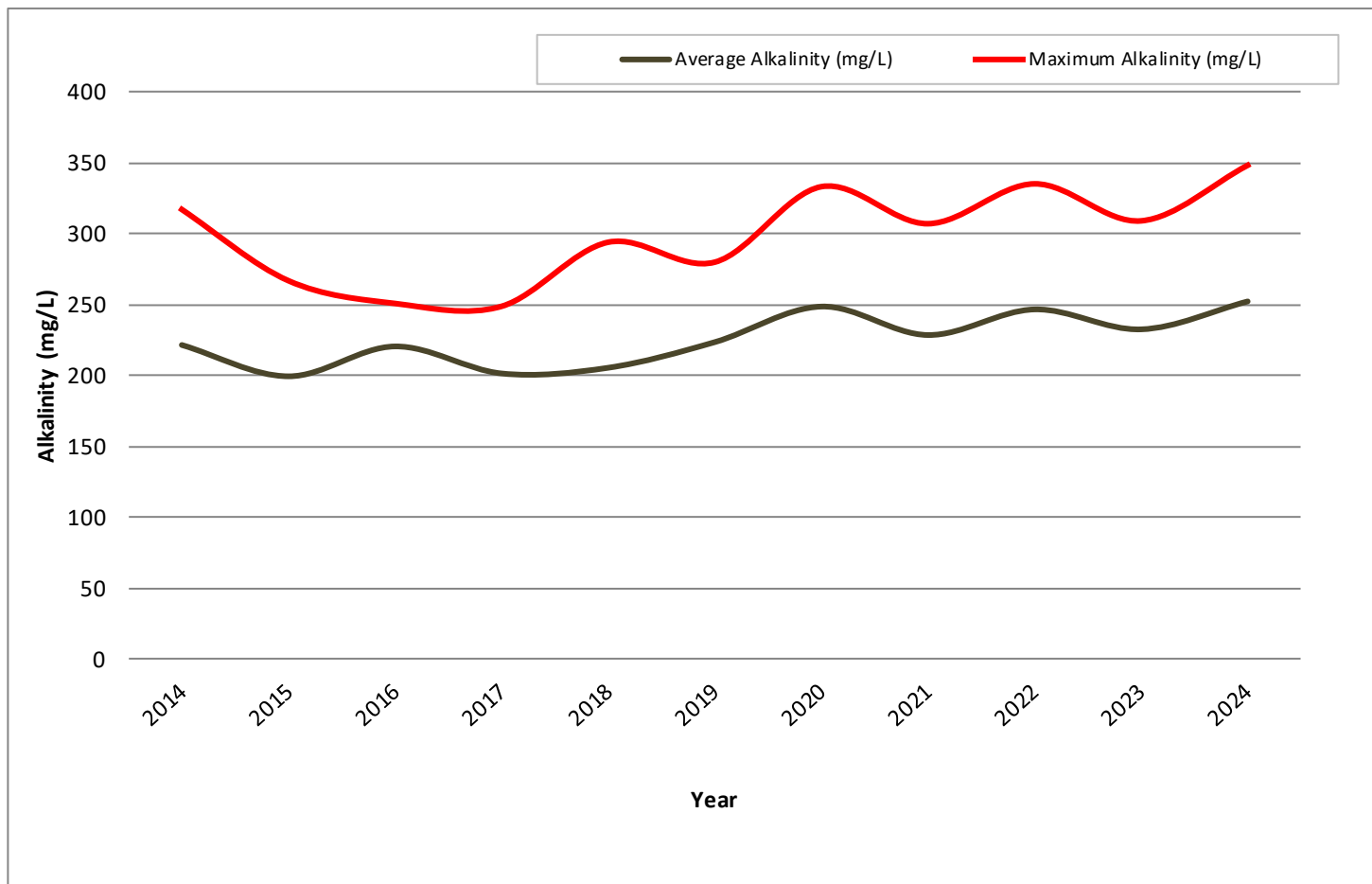
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Average TKN (mg/L)	20	19	24	18	22	25	22	32	32	30	36
Maximum TKN (mg/L)	33	45	58	36	99	65	45	191	86	71	146



**North Cobalt Sewage Treatment Lagoon  
Influent Characteristics – Historical Results (2014 to 2024)**

**Alkalinity**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Average Alkalinity (mg/L)	222	200	221	202	206	224	249	229	247	233	253
Maximum Alkalinity (mg/L)	317	267	251	249	294	280	333	307	335	309	348



# **APPENDIX C**

## **Maintenance Summary**

## Workorder Summary Report

 Report Start Date: Jan 1, 2024 12:00 AM  
 Report End Date: Dec 31, 2024 11:59 PM  
 Location: 5728\*  
 Work Order Type: CALL,CAP,CORR,EMER,OPER  
 Work Order Class:

				WorkOrder		PM Schedule		Workorder Details					
WO #	Asset ID	Asset Description	Location Description	Type	Class	FEQ	Units	Work Order Description	Status	Schedule Start	Actual Start	Actual Finish	WorkLog Detail
<a href="#">3758276</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	OPER	Inspection	1	YEARS	Daily O&M Activities Wastewater Treatment (1y) 5728	CLOSE	1/1/24 12:00 AM	4/23/24 02:30 PM	4/23/24 02:30 PM	- Replace salt bridge on effluent pH probe and recalibrated with fresh buffers. After calibration lagoon pH still reads 6.6. Reduced auxiliary pump from 5.5 to 4.0 for the weekend. Verified calibration of portable pH meter as well.
<a href="#">3762794</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Compliance	0		North Cobalt Lagoon Chemicals 5728	COMP		1/13/25 01:02 PM	1/13/25 01:02 PM	
<a href="#">3850450</a>			5728, North Cobalt Station St Pumping Station	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Station St Intrusion System 5728	CLOSE		5/28/24 09:50 AM	5/28/24 09:50 AM	
<a href="#">3850598</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Replace Undersized Alum Feed Pumps and Tubing 5728	CLOSE		7/3/24 07:30 AM	7/3/24 07:30 AM	
<a href="#">3850599</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Spare Alum Transfer Pump 5728	CLOSE		4/19/24 08:09 AM	4/19/24 08:09 AM	
<a href="#">3850600</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Install Level Transmitter on Alum Tank 5728	CLOSE		9/4/24 02:17 PM	9/4/24 02:17 PM	
<a href="#">3900538</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Replacement Roots Blowers 5728	CLOSE		7/31/24 09:51 AM	7/31/24 09:51 AM	blower install - start install #3 blower blower install - install blower #2 blower install - finish install blower and clean up
<a href="#">3903688</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Loss comm at North Cobalt Lagoon 5728	CLOSE		4/25/24 03:25 PM	4/25/24 03:27 PM	Loss of comm -Call for loss of comm at North Cobalt Lagoon. Logged into SCADA remotely and comm had return on it's own
<a href="#">3904599</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Replaced Failed UV Sensor on Effluent UV 5728	CLOSE		9/4/24 02:27 PM	9/4/24 02:27 PM	
<a href="#">3949423</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		call power blip NC lagoon low alum tank 5728	CLOSE		5/11/24 04:45 AM	5/11/24 05:15 AM	call power blip low alum tank - due to power blip call for false low alum tank need to put a timer on low alum tank to prevent call

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WO #	Asset ID	Asset Description	Location Description	Type	Class	FEQ	Units	Work Order Description	Status	Schedule Start	Actual Start	Actual Finsh	WorkLog Detail
<a href="#">3950926</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CALL	Predictive Maintenance	0		Loss of Comm at NC Lagoon, 5728	CLOSE		5/18/24 08:59 PM	5/18/24 09:06 PM	Loss of Comm at NC Lagoon, 5728 - Called in for critical alarm and logged in remotely. Alarm was loss of comm and drove to site and check parameter -ok. Radio had no power therefore not communicating. I was able to to restore power by loosening the screw R07 - Radio on the digital output slot 1 and restore power and communication.
<a href="#">3950927</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CALL	Predictive Maintenance	0		Loss of Comm at NC Lagoon, 5728	CLOSE		5/19/24 02:30 PM	5/19/24 03:05 PM	Loss of Comm at NC Lagoon, 5728 - Called for loss of comm. Arrived on site and reset the radio. Comm was restore Decreased pump #2 rate from 9.0L/h to 8.7 L/h because pH has decreased to 6.9. Also replace an oring on the poly line before the pump.  Filled alum tanks was I was there.
<a href="#">4001562</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon, Process, Piping and Valves	EMER	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		reinstall underdrain pump NC Lagoon 5728	CLOSE		9/16/24 09:14 AM	9/16/24 09:14 AM	reinstall underdrain pump - temporally reinstall pump new to get new parts install new pipe on pump - install stainless fitting on pump install new pipe on pump - finish install fitting
<a href="#">4050855</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Remove Underdrain Pump and Repair Piping and Lifting Chain 5728	CLOSE		10/2/24 08:20 AM	10/2/24 08:20 AM	



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<a href="#">4051981</a>			5728, North Cobalt Station St Pumping Station	CORR	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Replace number 2 pump at Station St 5728	CLOSE		10/22/24 01:15 PM	10/22/24 01:15 PM	pump install - install new #2 pump
<a href="#">4090636</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon, Facility	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Power Flicker at NC Lagoon 5728	CLOSE		8/1/24 04:02 PM	8/1/24 04:06 PM	Power Flicker -Call for a major alarm now normal at the lagoon at 0555. Logged in remotely and checked alarm history, it was alum low level alarm. Looked at both alum levels for the day storage tanks and the main storage tank and both are at significant levels. Alarm was caused by a power flicker. Checked all other parameters at the same time and everything looks ok.
<a href="#">4094942</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	OPER	Inspection	1	YEARS	Daily O&M Activities Wastewater Treatment (1y) 5728	COMP	8/21/24 12:00 AM	1/13/25 01:04 PM	1/13/25 01:04 PM	
<a href="#">4141804</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CAP	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Replace Faulty Power patch cable for UV system 5728	CLOSE		10/2/24 08:21 AM	10/2/24 08:21 AM	
<a href="#">4144049</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Call in for loss of Comm and the North Cobalt Lagoon and drove to site to reset radio	CLOSE		9/15/24 01:06 AM	9/15/24 01:17 AM	-Called in for Loss of Comm at the North Cobalt Lagoon. Had to drive to site because Radio would not reset. Arrived on site, reset radio and Comms returned. Monitored the site for a bit and no other issues arose. All good.
<a href="#">4146046</a>			5728, North Cobalt Station St Pumping Station	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		overflow north cobalt station st 5728	CLOSE		9/25/24 05:40 PM	9/25/24 10:55 PM	overflow due to heavy rain - got call for cedar SPS high level due to manhole not covered ,North cobalt station st. overflow took sample and call health inspector and sac ,sample NL lagoon due to high inlet flow

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WO #	Asset ID	Asset Description	Location Description	Type	Class	FEQ	Units	Work Order Description	Status	Schedule Start	Actual Start	Actual Finsh	WorkLog Detail
<a href="#">4222372</a>			5728, North Cobalt Lagoon, Facility	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Loss of comm at North Cobalt Lagoon 5728	CLOSE		11/1/24 07:45 AM	11/1/24 07:52 AM	Loss of communication at North Cobalt Lagoon 5728 -Call for critical alarm at the North Cobalt lagoon at 2330. Logged in remotely and confirmed a loss of communication. Drove to site, unplugged radio and plugged back in. Logged in remotely and confirmed the communication restored at 0005
<a href="#">4222820</a>			5728, North Cobalt Station St Pumping Station	CALL	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Station St SPS overflow due to heavy rain 5728	CLOSE		11/1/24 07:52 AM	11/1/24 07:55 AM	Overflow due to heavy rain at Station St. SPS 5728 -Call for high level at Station St. SPS. Overflow started, samples were collected and I called in to SAC. Event # 1-CQAU6C
<a href="#">4236850</a>	0000060032	MOTOR 02 BLOWER	5728, North Cobalt Lagoon, Process, Secondary Treatment	CORR	Refurbish/ Replace/Repair	0		Blower 2 Motor Bearing Replacement	CLOSE	11/12/24 07:00 AM	11/13/24 08:23 AM	11/13/24 08:23 AM	Kent Compressor On-site - Kent compressor on-site to replace the bearings in blower 2s motor. Important to note this motor was taken from blower 1 and placed into blower 2. So Blower 2 motor is tchnically decomissioned.  Completed run tests and working properly.  WRONG LOCATION - Accidentally selected the wrong asset when making this corrective work order which dchanged the location.  My apologies. Changed status to Not Executed per Meir Ohayon, PMP (Business and Asset Managements Standard Group)

# **APPENDIX D**

## **Summary of Abnormal Discharge Events**

**North Cobalt Lagoon Sewage Collection System**  
**Summary of Abnormal Discharge Events**

Facility Works Number: **110001382**  
 Facility Owner: **City of Temiskaming Shores**  
 Service Population: **980**  
 Period Being Reported: **01/2024 12/2024**

Station Name: **Station Street Pump Station (No. 2)**

Date	Start Time (hh:mm)	Stop Time (hh:mm)	Duration	Type	Volume (m3)	Disinfection Provided	Reason	Concentrations				Loadings				
								BOD5 (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	TP (mg/L)	TKN (mg/L)	E.coli (cfu/100mL)	BOD5 (kg)	TSS (kg)	TP (kg)	TKN (kg)
28-Feb-24	10:08	10:17	8 minutes	Overflow	8.1	Yes	Heavy rain and melting snow	23	39	0.340	5.2	390,000	0.20	0.30	0.003	0.04
12-Apr-24	04:07		25.4 hours	Overflow	1200.22	Yes	Extreme rainfall	6	13	0.182	2.9	270,000	7.0	15.6	0.218	3.5
13-Apr-24		05:33														
27-Aug-24	16:47	17:01	14 minutes	Overflow	1.76	Yes	Heavy rainfall	60	47	0.531	4.3	230	72	56.4	0.64	5.16
25-Sep-24	20:11	20:32	21 minutes	Overflow	18	Yes	Heavy rainfall	29	44	0.227	2.2	69,400	0.50	0.80	0.004	0.04
31-Oct-24	15:27	16:25	58 minutes	Overflow	17.12	Yes	Heavy rainfall	8.5	25.5	0.255	3.6	43,000	0.10	0.40	0.00	0.06
06-Nov-24	01:20	07:06	6.8 hours	Overflow	150.23	Yes	Steady rainfall	2.3	17.5	0.159	0.8	70	0.30	2.6	0.02	0.12