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Re: 2023 Annual Performance Report for the Port Rowan Wastewater Treatment Plant, Sewage Pumping Stations and the Port Rowan Linear Infrastructure

Attached is the 2023 Annual Performance Report for the Port Rowan Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) located at 55 Hunter Drive North, in Norfolk County and all associated sewage pumping stations (SPS's). This report has been completed in accordance with the following approvals:

- Section 10(6)(a) through (l) cited in Environmental Compliance Approval #7612-9XMJ26 issued on July 13, 2015 to the Corporation of Norfolk County.
- Schedule E, Section 4.6 cited in the Consolidated Linear Infrastructure – Environmental Compliance Approval #070-W601 issue number 1 issued on July 27, 2022 to the Corporation of Norfolk County

This report, as it pertains to the WWTF and the SPS's, and forcemains was prepared by the Ontario Clean Water Agency on behalf of Norfolk County, based on the information contained in our records. The information included in the reports on the Port Rowan gravity separate sewers was provided by Norfolk County.

The report covers the period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

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Introduction:

Port Rowan Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is located at 55 Hunter Drive North in the community of Port Rowan (Norfolk County), on the north shore of Lake Erie. The community of Port Rowan includes both permanent and seasonal residents and is designated as a Lakeshore Special Policy area within the Norfolk Official Plan.

The WWTP has a rated capacity of 1,140m³/d, and has unit processes including screening and grit removal, primary clarification, chemical phosphorus removal, aeration and membrane

Filtration. Waste Activated Sludge (WAS) is co-thickened in the primary clarifiers and the combined sludge and scum are digested in an aerobic digester prior to disposal via land application. The treated effluent is discharged through an outfall pipe to the Dedrick Creek which discharges into Lake Erie. The facility also has two (2) odour control systems comprising biofilters—one each for the Headworks Building and the Aerobic Digester.

Raw Wastewater Collection

The wastewater collected in the sanitary sewers in Port Rowan flows from the Mallard Walk and Ducks Landing Pumping Stations (PS) to the Front Road PS and is pumped to the WWTP. These flows also include filter backwash water from the water treatment plant. In addition to receiving pumped flows the plant also receives hauled waste.

Sewage Pumping Stations

The Norfolk County Municipal Wastewater Collection System is made up of five separate wastewater collection systems. The Port Rowan wastewater collection system (population 1,357) conveys sewage to the Port Rowan Wastewater Treatment Facility through a total of 12 kilometres of gravity separate sewers, 1.3 kilometres of forcemains and three (3) sewage pumping stations (SPS). For additional information on the individual SPS's listed below, please refer to CLI-ECA #070-W601 Issue #1.

- WW421 – Ducks Landing SPS located at 25 Hunter Drive South in Port Rowan, Ontario. Ducks Landing SPS is a duplex pumping station equipped with 2 pumps (1 duty, 1 standby), with a wet well of 7.2 m³ capacity. The station is connected to a 100 mm diameter forcemain discharging to a manhole at the intersection of Wood Duck Way and Hunter Drive South. The Overflow is located in the pump station wet well and discharges to Long Point Bay of Lake Erie with an emergency storage volume of 10.3m³
- WW418 – Front Road SPS located at 10 Front Street in Port Rowan, Ontario. Front Road SPS is a duplex pumping station equipped with 2 pumps (1 duty, 1 standby), with a wet well of 49 m³ capacity. The station is connected to a 200 mm diameter forcemain discharging to the Port Rowan WWTP at 55 Hunter Drive North. The Overflow is located in the pump station equalization tank and discharges to Long Point Bay of Lake Erie with an emergency storage volume of 200m³
- WW419 – Mallard Walk SPS located at 1A Mallard Walk in Port Rowan, Ontario. Mallard Walk SPS is a duplex pumping station equipped with 2 pumps (1 duty, 1 standby), with a wet well of 20 m³ capacity. The station is connected to a 150 mm diameter forcemain

discharging to a manhole at the intersection of Long Point Boulevard and Bay Street. There is no overflow.

Inlet Works- Preliminary Treatment System

The preliminary treatment units including coarse screening and grit removal which are enclosed inside the main process equipment area of the Headworks Building. Raw sewage is pumped to the WWTP via a 200 mm forcemain from the Front Road. Sewage flows by gravity to the Headworks Building where it gets screened by a 9.5 mm coarse screen before getting collected in the raw sewage wet well. There are two (2) coarse screens located in the Headworks Building (MBS-101/102), where the raw sewage from the community flows through the south screen (MBS-101).

The raw sewage and hauled waste are blended in a large wet well and pumped to downstream processes where it mixes with any leachate that has been received. The flow passes through a vortex grit chamber in the Headworks Building where it gets de-gritted before flowing to the primary clarifiers.

Primary Treatment

The blend of raw sewage, hauled wastes and leachate flows to the primary clarifier which removes a portion of the particulate load of TSS, BOD, TKN and TP via settling of suspended solids. In addition to gravity settling of the suspended solids, the primary clarifier influent is also dosed with ferrous chloride to remove a fraction of the soluble phosphorus load. Ferrous chloride acts as a coagulant that precipitates the soluble phosphorus and helps it settle along with the other suspended solids removed in the primary clarifier.

Aeration Tanks

At the Port Rowan WWTP, primary effluent enters the biological tanks via the biological tank feed channel. There are two (2) biological tanks, each consisting of two (2) cells, consisting of a small anoxic (swing) cell, followed by a larger aeration cell.

One or both biological tanks may receive primary effluent flow by adjusting the weir gates and opening or closing the slide gates located in the biological tank feed channel.

The mixed liquor in the Aeration Tanks is aerated by means of a fine bubble diffused air aeration system with the air supplied by positive displacement blowers. The air diffusers are spread across the bottom of aeration tanks allowing an even distribution of air. This promotes thorough mixing in all areas of the aeration tanks which maintains the solids in suspension and ensures a supply of oxygen throughout the tanks.

Supplementary Treatment

The mixed liquor from the aeration tanks flows into the membrane tanks, where a microfiltration membrane system separates the solids from the treated effluent (permeate). The membrane system comprises of hollow noodle shaped membrane fibers installed in modular membrane filtration units called cassettes. The permeate water is sucked out through hollow tube

membranes via permeate pumps operating under a negative pressure. The permeate flows from outside to inside of the hollow tubes, is collected and discharged to the permeate tank, from where it overflows and discharges into the effluent outfall system.

The operation of the membrane system is automated based on the flux and permeability through the membranes. The intermittent aeration of membrane tanks helps to keep the membranes clean and reduces the cleaning frequency by chemicals. In addition to this, Maintenance Cleans and Recovery Cleans are executed intermittently to maintain peak performance and prolong membrane life. Maintenance Cleans, are initiated by staff weekly, employs sodium hypochlorite and citric acid to remove organic and inorganic fouling. The Recovery Cleaning is executed when the membrane permeability drops to below 50% of the initial stable permeability of the clean membranes every 9 months or when operations see declining permeability and little recovery after maintenance cleans. Recovery cleans are performed by soaking the cassettes in a series of chemical baths, first chlorine, then citric acid.

Sludge Management System

Sludge is periodically removed by licensed hauler for offsite storage, disposal, and/or land application. In order to limit nitrification, maintaining the required alkalinity and to optimize the aeration requirements, the digester aeration system is designed to operate at low DO and with an intermittently running aeration. While the low DO conditions limit nitrification, stoppage of air and further dropping of DO results in denitrification that generates alkalinity and helps restore the pH balance in the digester. The digester contents are kept mixed with the sludge removal pump when the aeration is switched off.

The digester supernatant is separated and recycled to the headworks at fixed interval by the operator. This allows the sludge solids to build up in the digester. When the sludge solids concentration builds up to a pre-determined level (usually 2.5 to 3%) in the digester, a portion of digested sludge from the digester is removed and hauled for land application.

Odour Control

Given the high odour potential of the hauled wastes received at the plant, odour control facilities are an important part of the WWTP. Two separate odour control units have been provided, one each for the Headworks Building and the aerobic digester. Each biofilter consists of a biofilter media bed comprising of a proportioned mixture of limestone compost and woodchips. The filter media bed is laid out uniformly over a bed of crushed limestone. The biofilter media is irrigated and kept moist by treated effluent to develop and sustain a biomass layer that helps remove the odours from the foul air received from the headworks and digester.

Standby Power

The emergency power for the entire plant is supplied from:

Cummins DFEK-61256223
500KW

475 HP
7,000 L diesel fuel tank

Port Rowan WWTP Facts:

Environmental Compliance Approval	ECA 7612-9XMJ26 (issued July 13, 2015)
Rated Capacity	1,140m ³ /day
Receiving Water	Dedrick Creek

For 2023, the Port Rowan WWTP was operated in accordance with provincial regulations as required in ECA #7612-9XMJ26 (ECA) issued July 13, 2015. The following report is presented such that it corresponds with ECA #7612-9XMJ26 Section 10(6) (a) through (l) and satisfies the requirements for the sewage pumping stations and the Port Rowan linear infrastructure in CLI-ECA #070-W601 Issue #1 dated July 27, 2022.

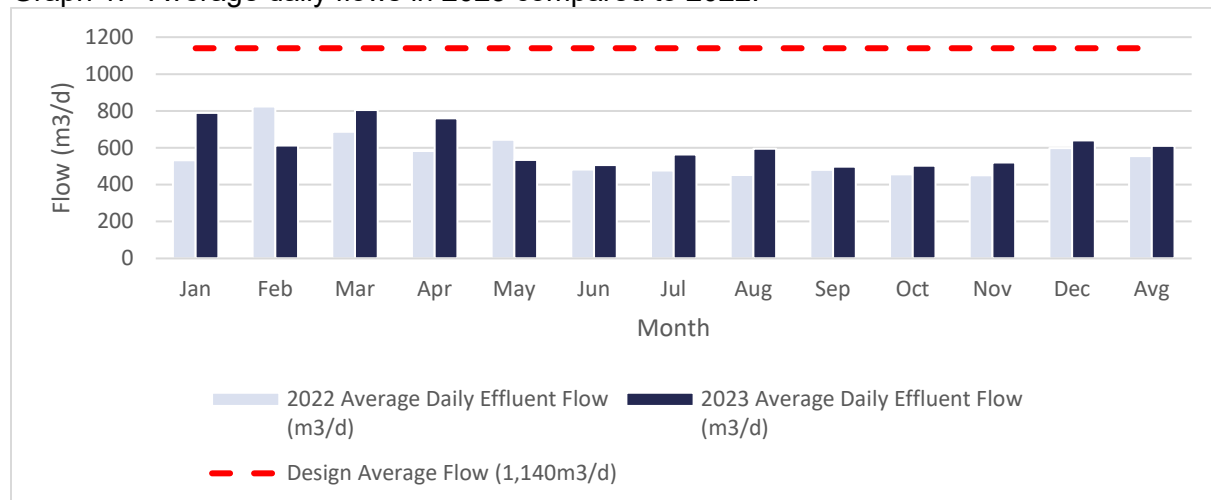
Section A: Summary of Monitoring Data

The Port Rowan Wastewater Treatment Plant is monitored as per the Environmental Compliance Approval requirements. Detailed monitoring data is supplied in Appendix A.

(I) Effluent Flow Monitoring

The average daily effluent flow for 2023 was 610.7m³/d, which is 53.6% of the Port Rowan's WWTP's rated capacity of 1,140m³/d. The following Graph 1 shows a comparison of the average daily flows per month for 2023 and 2022 compared to the rated capacity of the facility.

Graph 1. Average daily flows in 2023 compared to 2022.



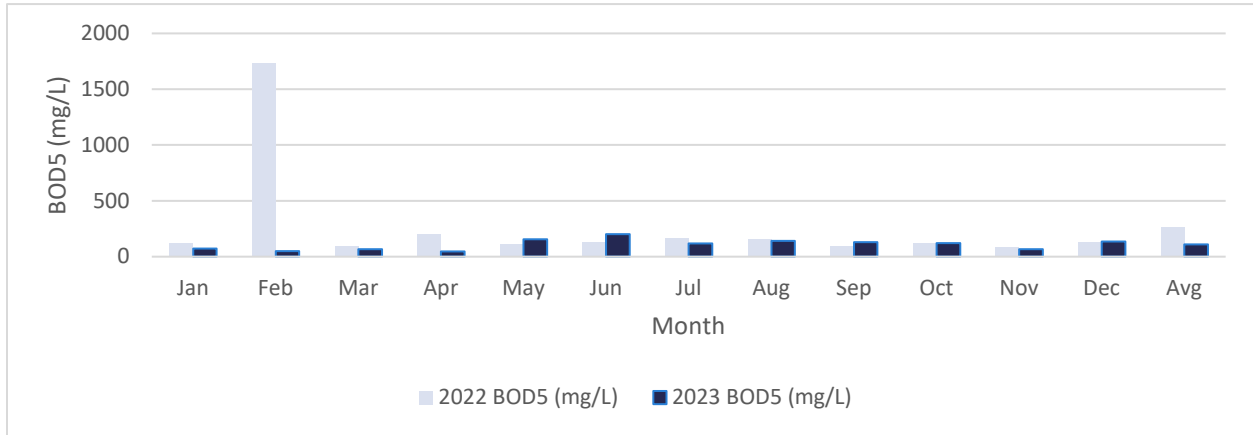
(II) Raw Sewage Monitoring

The raw sewage is monitored for BOD₅, total suspended solids, total phosphorus, total kjeldahl nitrogen, total ammonia nitrogen and alkalinity on a weekly basis (minimum) by means of a composite sample. The treatment capabilities of the facility were designed based on the raw water characteristics identified in the Operations Manual from the design engineers. Refer to

Appendix A for the detailed monthly results. Graphs 2-6 below, show the monthly average concentrations for the required raw sewage parameters in 2023 compared to 2022.

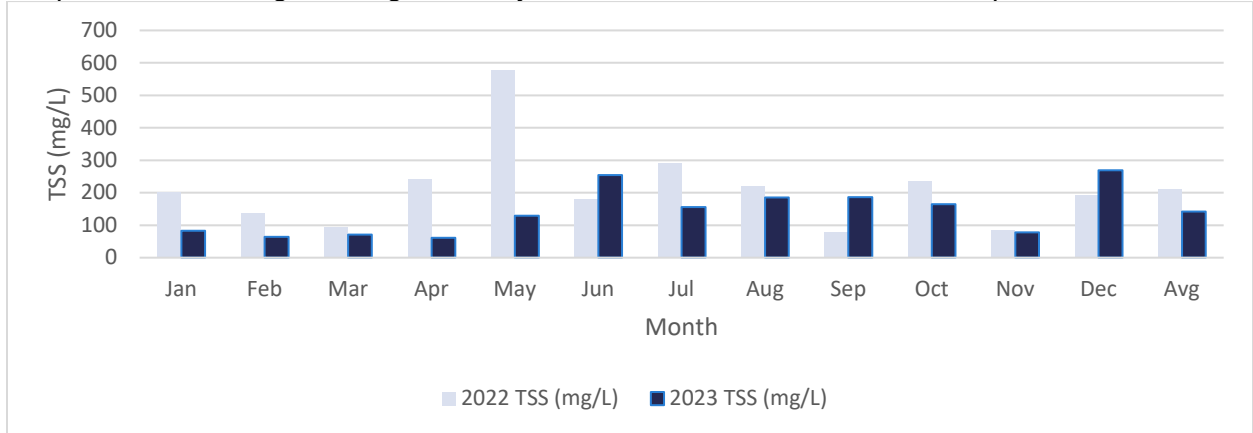
The annual average for the raw sewage BOD₅ concentration to the plant was 109mg/L with an average loading of 63.4kg/d. This annual average loading is below the design criteria of 570kg/d. Refer to Graph 2 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 to 2022.

Graph 2. Influent sewage average monthly concentration of BOD₅ for 2023 compared to 2022.



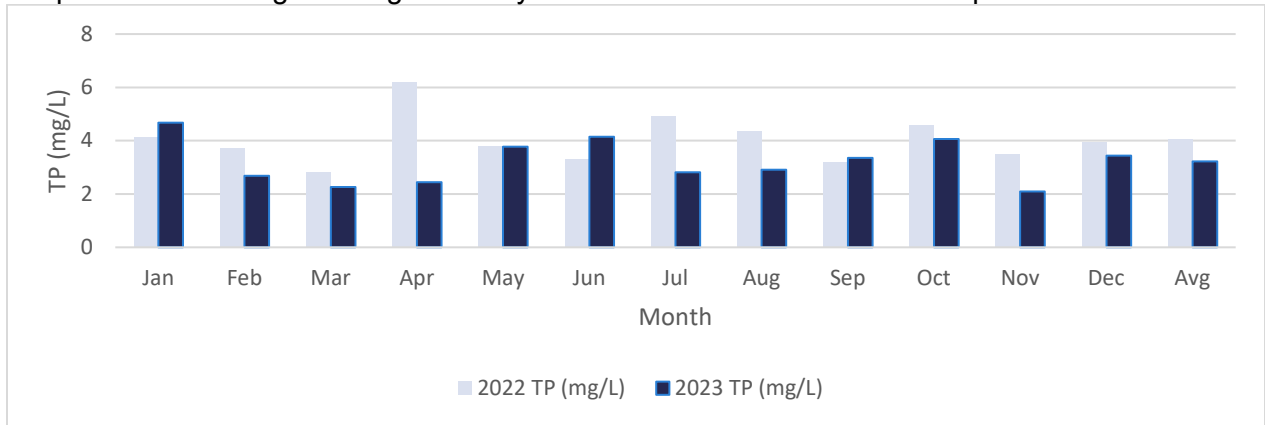
The annual average for raw sewage total suspended solids (TSS) concentration to the plant was 141.8mg/L. Refer to Graph 3 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 to 2022.

Graph 3. Raw sewage average monthly concentration of TSS for 2023 compared to 2022.



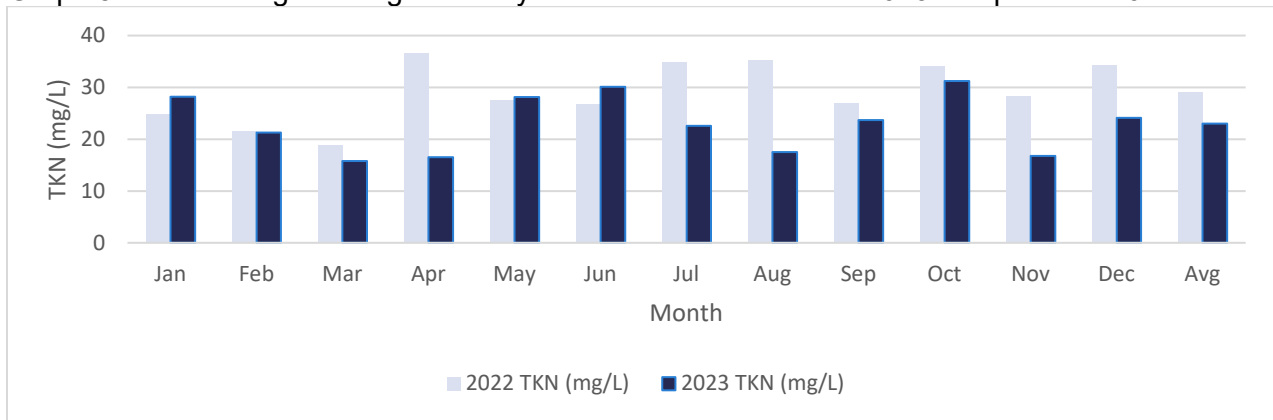
The annual average for raw sewage total phosphorus (TP) concentration to the plant was 3.22mg/L. Refer to Graph 4 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 to 2022.

Graph 4. Raw sewage average monthly concentration of TP for 2023 compared to 2022.



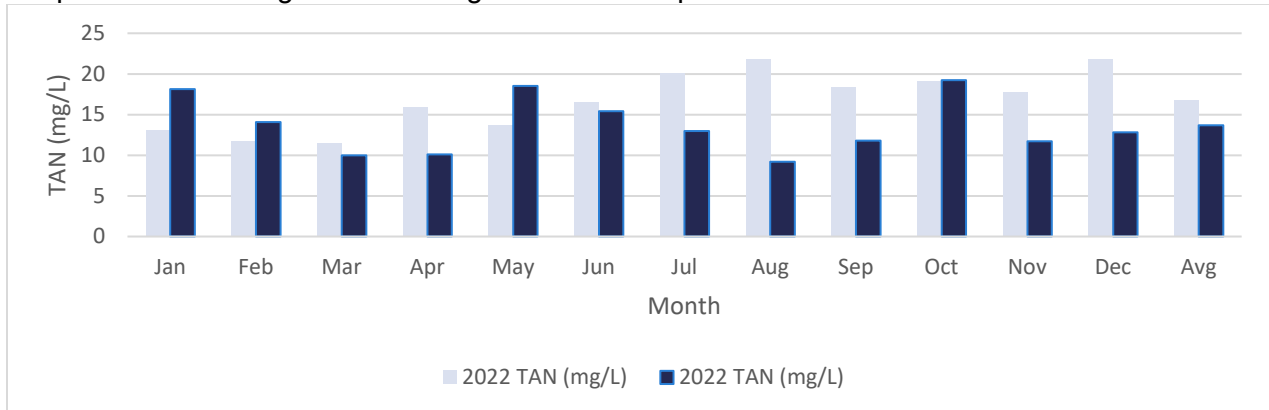
The annual average for raw sewage total kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN) concentration to the plant was 23.0mg/L. Refer to Graph 5 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 compared to 2022.

Graph 5. Raw sewage average monthly concentration of TKN for 2023 compared to 2022.



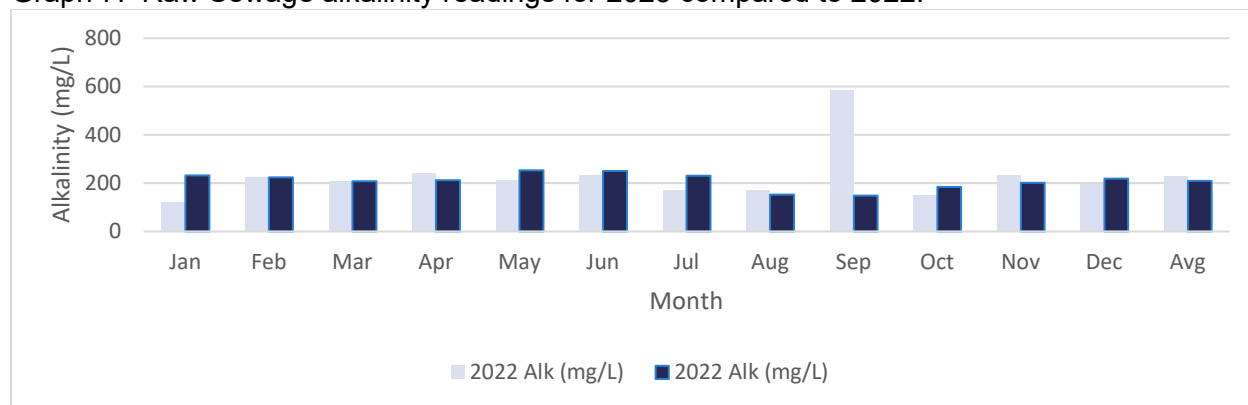
The annual average for raw sewage total ammonia nitrogen (TAN) concentration to the plant was 13.7mg/L. Refer to Graph 6 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 to 2022.

Graph 6. Raw Sewage TAN readings for 2023 compared to 2022.



The annual average for raw sewage alkalinity concentration to the plant 210mg/L. Refer to Graph 7 for a comparison of monthly concentrations in 2023 to 2022.

Graph 7. Raw Sewage alkalinity readings for 2023 compared to 2022.



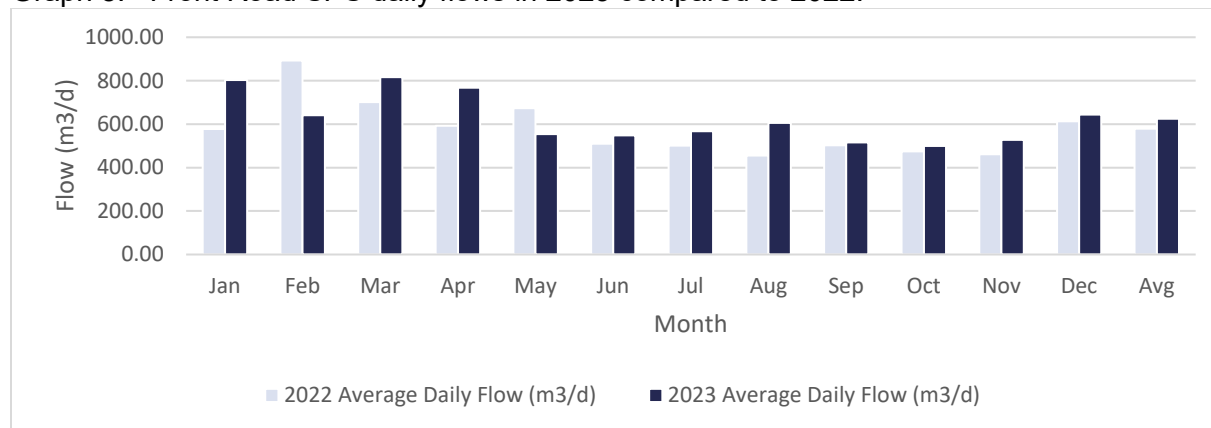
The raw sewage characteristics have changed throughout the year. This is to be expected with the flow variations that are experienced and fluctuations in hauled waste volumes and characteristics.

(III) Sewage Pumping Station Monitoring Data

As per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.3, there are flow meters at Front Road SPS and Ducks Landing SPS. The following graphs show the flow trends from these stations for 2023 compared to 2022. Table 1 and 2 below show the Port Rowan SPS pump run times for all stations 2023 compared to 2022. There is no additional monitoring data that required interpretation or conclusions for the Port Rowan sewage pumping stations in 2023. There is no need for future modifications to the sewage pumping stations at this time.

The average daily flow for Front Road SPS was 624.2m³/d in 2023. The total flow for 2023 was 227,926m³/d which is an increase by 7.5% compared to the total flow of 210,930m³/d in 2022. The following Graph 8 shows a comparison of the average daily flows per month for 2023 and 2022.

Graph 8. Front Road SPS daily flows in 2023 compared to 2022.



The average daily flow for Ducks Landing SPS was 5.05m³/d in 2023. The total flow for 2023 was 1,844m³/d which is an increase by 6.5% compared to the total flow of 1,725m³/d in 2022. The following Graph 9 shows a comparison of the average daily flows per month for 2023 and 2022.

Graph 9. Ducks Landing SPS daily flows in 2023 compared to 2022.

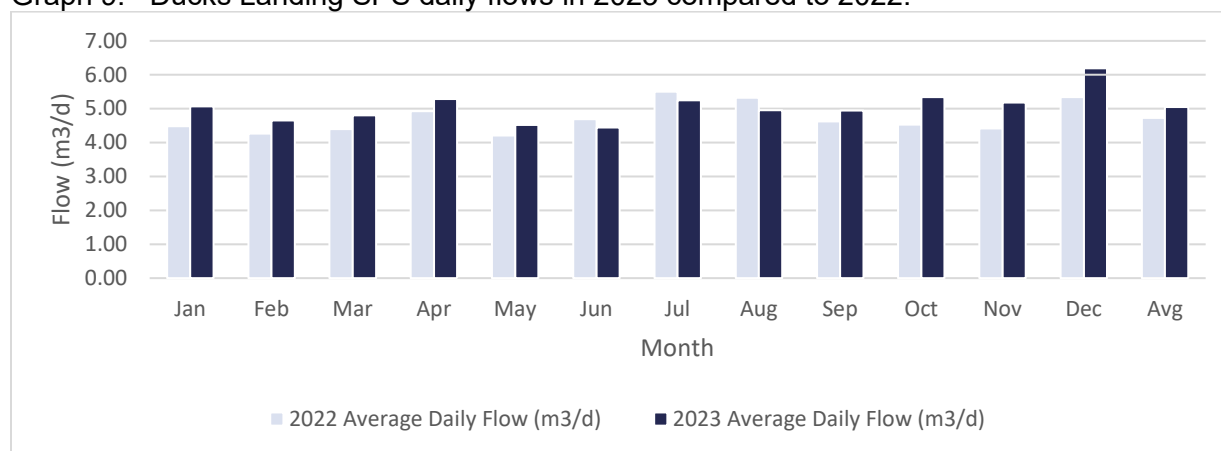


Table 1. Pump Run Hours for the Port Rowan SPS's in 2023 and 2022

Sewage Pumping Station (SPS)	Year	Pump #1 (hours)	Pump #2 (hours)
Front Road	2022	710.00	673.50
	2023	766.10	736.20
Ducks Landing	2022	11.70	12.00
	2023	13.20	12.00
Mallard Walk	2022	291.90	519.10
	2023	347.50	707.90

Table 2. Total Pump Run Hours for the Port Rowan SPS's in 2023 compared to 2022

Sewage Pumping Station (SPS)	Total Hours 2022 (hours)	Total Hours 2023 (hours)	Percent Change (%)
Front Road	1383.5	1502.3	7.9
Ducks Landing	23.7	25.2	6.0
Mallard Walk	811.0	1055.4	23.2

(IV) Effluent Monitoring

Effluent is sampled on a weekly basis and tested for cBOD₅, total suspended solids, total phosphorus, total ammonia nitrogen, alkalinity and nitrate as nitrogen as a composite sample. A grab sample is collected weekly and tested for E. coli. Three times a week, samples are collected and tested for pH and temperature. Detailed results are found in Appendix A. Table 3 below shows the monthly average results from the composite samples, Table 4 shows the

monthly average results from the grab samples and Table 5 shows the monthly average loadings.

Table 3. Monthly average effluent results for 2023.

Month	cBOD ₅ (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	TP (mg/L)	TAN (mg/L)	NO ₃ (mg/L)	Alkalinity (mg/L)
January	2.0	1.0	0.06	0.04	19.7	102.0
February	2.0	1.0	0.07	0.07	23.5	75.5
March	2.0	1.0	0.07	0.03	17.7	119.2
April	2.0	1.3	0.08	0.04	18.4	81.3
May	2.4	1.2	0.06	0.03	20.4	97.2
June	2.0	1.0	0.08	0.03	17.4	103.3
July	2.1	1.8	0.07	0.04	16.8	93.0
August	2.0	1.2	0.06	0.03	15.7	71.4
September	2.0	1.3	0.04	0.04	19.8	55.3
October	2.0	1.0	0.04	0.03	19.5	64.5
November	2.2	1.2	0.02	0.03	19.1	70.8
December	2.1	1.0	0.04	0.03	19.5	61.5
Average	2.1	1.2	0.06	0.04	19.0	82.9
Objective	2.5	1.0	0.06	2.0(1.0)*	n/a	n/a
Limit	5.0	2.0	0.12	4.0(2.0)*	n/a	n/a

*Values in brackets are temperature dependent limits and objectives

Table 4. Monthly average effluent ranges for 2023 obtained from grab samples.

Month	E. coli (cfu/100mL)*	pH **	Temp (°C)	Un-ionized Ammonia (mg/L)
January	1.0	7.17-8.15	10.6	0.0003
February	1.0	6.99-7.67	9.7	0.0003
March	1.4	7.23-7.82	11.4	0.0002
April	1.9	7.00-7.96	14.0	0.0002
May	4.3	7.09-7.74	16.9	0.0003
June	1.2	6.85-7.84	20.4	0.0003
July	2.2	6.80-8.00	23.1	0.0006
August	1.6	7.26-7.91	22.8	0.0005
September	4.4	6.69-7.78	21.8	0.0005
October	2.6	6.55-7.65	19.3	0.0002
November	2.1	6.90-7.71	15.8	0.0002
December	1.6	6.83-7.60	13.7	0.0001
Average	1.9	6.80-8.15	16.6	0.0003
Objective	12	7.0-8.5 (min-max)	n/a	0.012
Limit	200	6.0-8.5 (min-max)	n/a	0.024

*expressed as geometric mean

**minimum and maximum result range

Table 5. Monthly average loading limits for 2023.

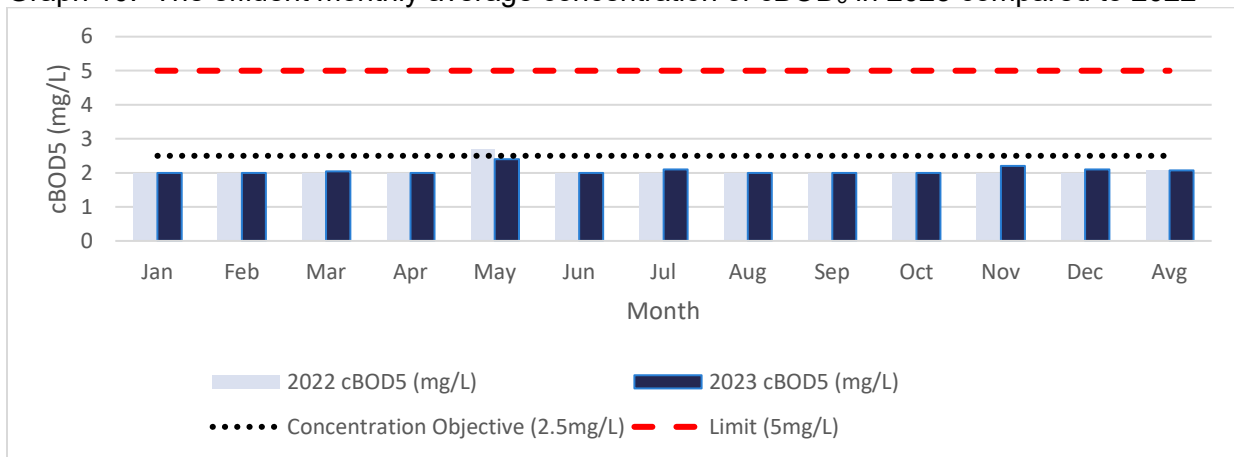
Month	cBOD5 (kg/d)	TSS (kg/d)	TP (kg/d)	TAN (kg/d)	UA (kg/d)
January	1.58	0.79	0.05	0.03	0.0002
February	1.23	0.61	0.04	0.04	0.0002
March	1.64	0.81	0.06	0.02	0.0002
April	1.52	0.99	0.06	0.03	0.0002
May	1.28	0.64	0.03	0.02	0.0001
June	1.01	0.51	0.04	0.02	0.0002
July	1.18	1.01	0.04	0.02	0.0003
August	1.19	0.71	0.04	0.02	0.0003
September	1.00	0.62	0.02	0.02	0.0002
October	1.01	0.50	0.02	0.02	0.0001
November	1.15	0.62	0.01	0.02	0.0001
December	1.34	0.64	0.03	0.02	0.0001
Average	1.26	0.71	0.04	0.02	0.0002
Limit	5.7	2.28	0.14	1.28 (2.48)*	0.03

*value in brackets is from Dec 1 to March 31

(V) Comparison to Compliance Limits and Objectives

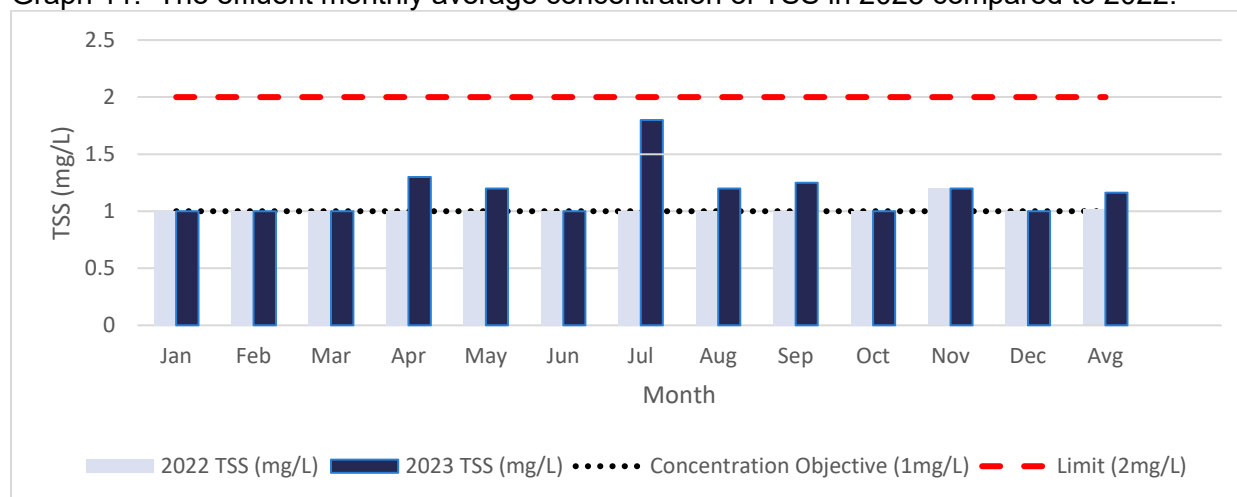
The annual average for effluent cBOD₅ in 2023 was 2.1mg/L; this value has remained the same compared to 2022. The annual loading of cBOD₅ was 1.26kg/d. The concentration and loading limits and objectives for cBOD₅ were not exceeded in 2023. Refer to Graph 10 for a comparison of effluent monthly average concentration of cBOD₅.

Graph 10. The effluent monthly average concentration of cBOD₅ in 2023 compared to 2022



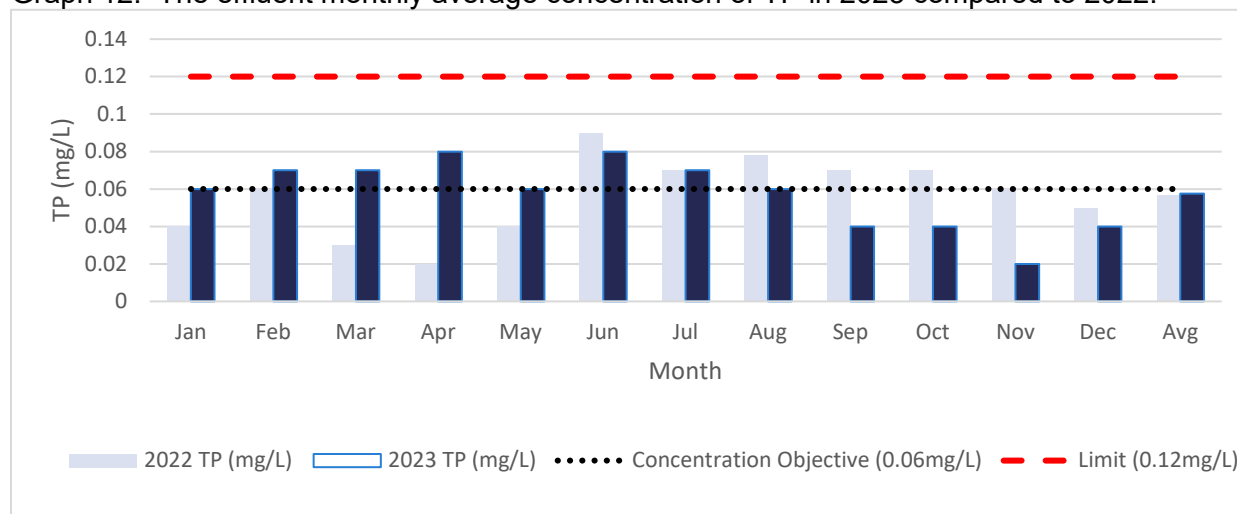
The annual average for effluent TSS in 2023 was 1.2mg/L; this value has increased by 12.5% from the annual average in 2022. The annual loading of TSS was 0.71kg/d. The concentration and loading limits were not exceeded in 2023. The concentration objective was exceeded six (6) times in 2023 as discussed below in **Section F: Objective Exceedances & Best Efforts**. Refer to Graph 11 for the effluent monthly average concentration of TSS.

Graph 11. The effluent monthly average concentration of TSS in 2023 compared to 2022.



The annual average for effluent TP in 2023 was 0.06mg/L. This value has remained the same compared to the annual average result for TP in 2022. The annual loading of TP was 0.04kg/d. The concentration and loading limits were not exceeded in 2023. The concentration objective was exceeded five (5) times in 2023 as discussed below in **Section F: Objective Exceedances & Best Efforts**. Refer to Graph 12 for the effluent monthly average concentration of TP

Graph 12. The effluent monthly average concentration of TP in 2023 compared to 2022.

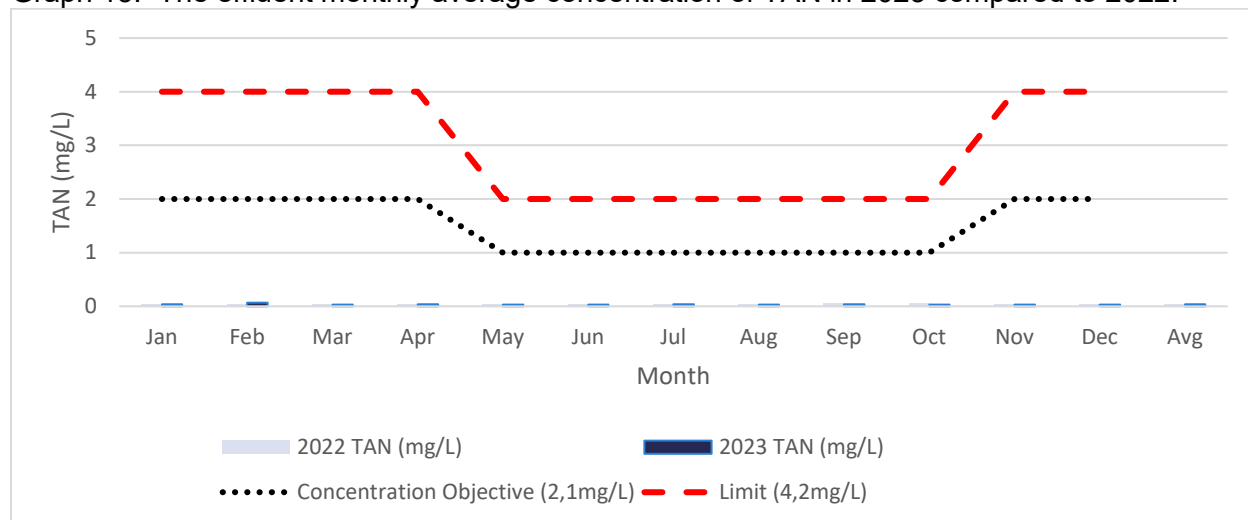


The annual average for effluent Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) in 2023 was 0.04mg/L; this value has not changed from the annual average in 2022. The annual loading of TAN was 0.02kg/d. The limits and objectives for TAN are based on temperature:

- December 1st to April 30th – limit is 4.0mg/L, objective is 2.0mg/L
- May 1st to November 30th - limit is 2.0mg/L, objective is 1.0mg/L.

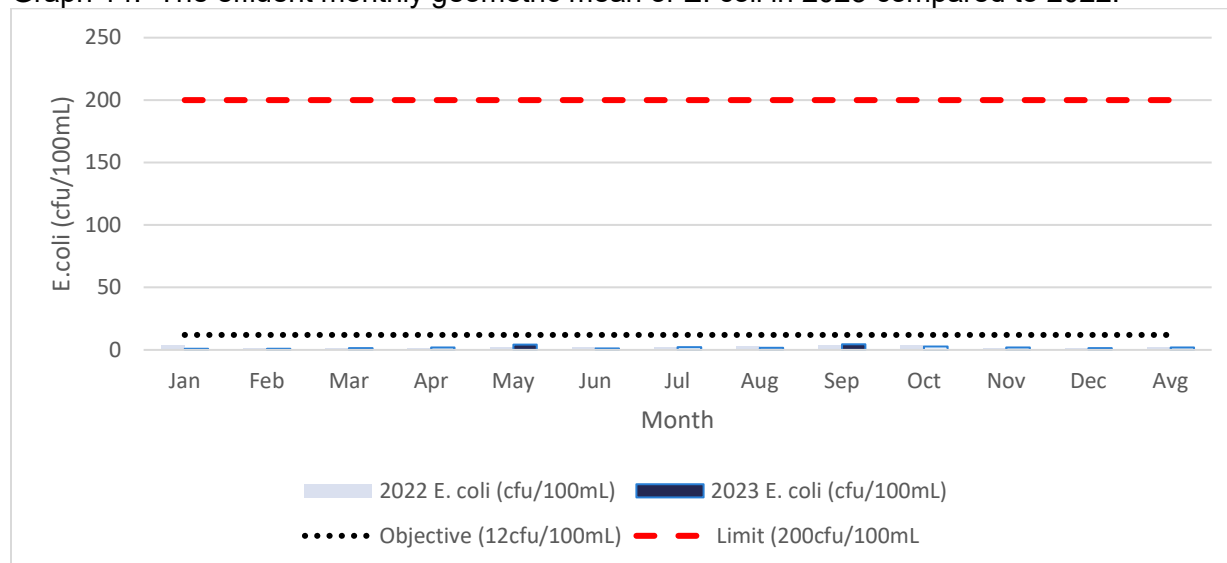
There were no limit or objective exceedances for TAN in 2023. Refer to Graph 13 for the effluent monthly average concentrations.

Graph 13. The effluent monthly average concentration of TAN in 2023 compared to 2022.



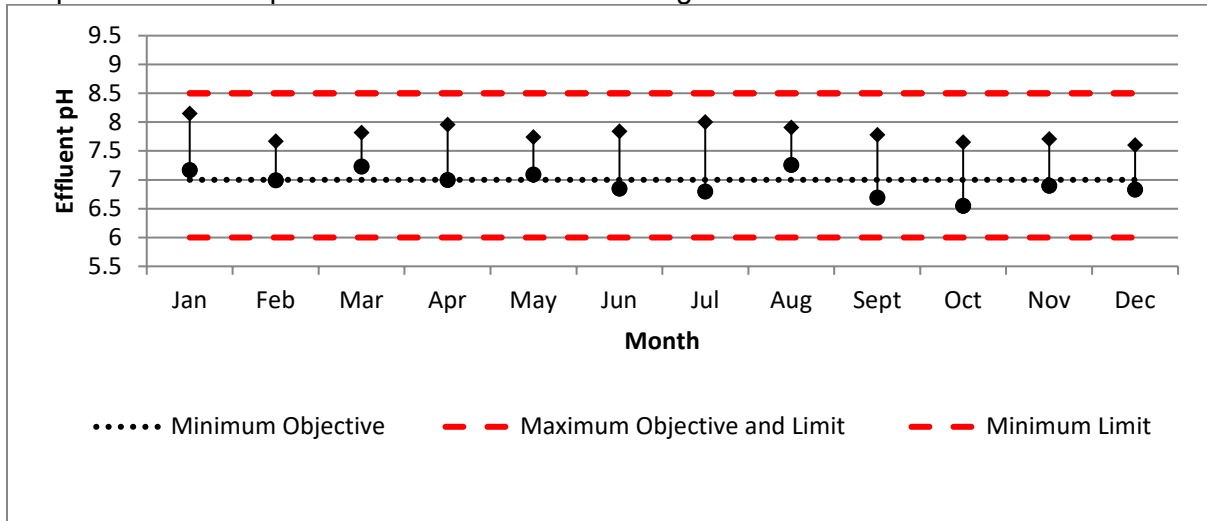
The annual geometric mean for effluent E. coli in 2023 was 1.9cfu/100mL. The annual average result for E.coli in 2023 has increased by 6.8% compared to the 2022 annual average. There were no limit or objective exceedances for E.coli in 2023. Refer to Graph 14 for the effluent monthly geometric mean concentrations.

Graph 14. The effluent monthly geometric mean of E. coli in 2023 compared to 2022.



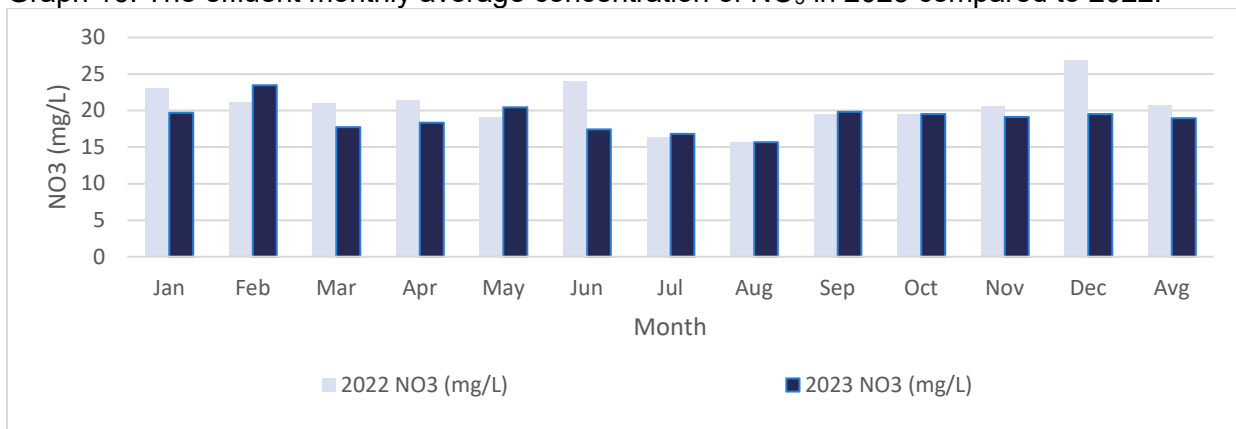
The effluent pH is monitored three times per week at a minimum at the Port Rowan WWTP. The pH is required to be maintained between 6.0-9.5 at all times (limit) with an objective range of 7.0-8.5. In 2023, there were no pH results that were above or below the limit range. There were a total of twenty (20) individual readings below the objective of 7.0 as discussed below in **Section F: Objective Exceedances & Best Efforts**. Refer to Graph 15 for the monthly minimum and maximum pH readings.

Graph 15. Effluent pH minimum and maximum ranges for 2023



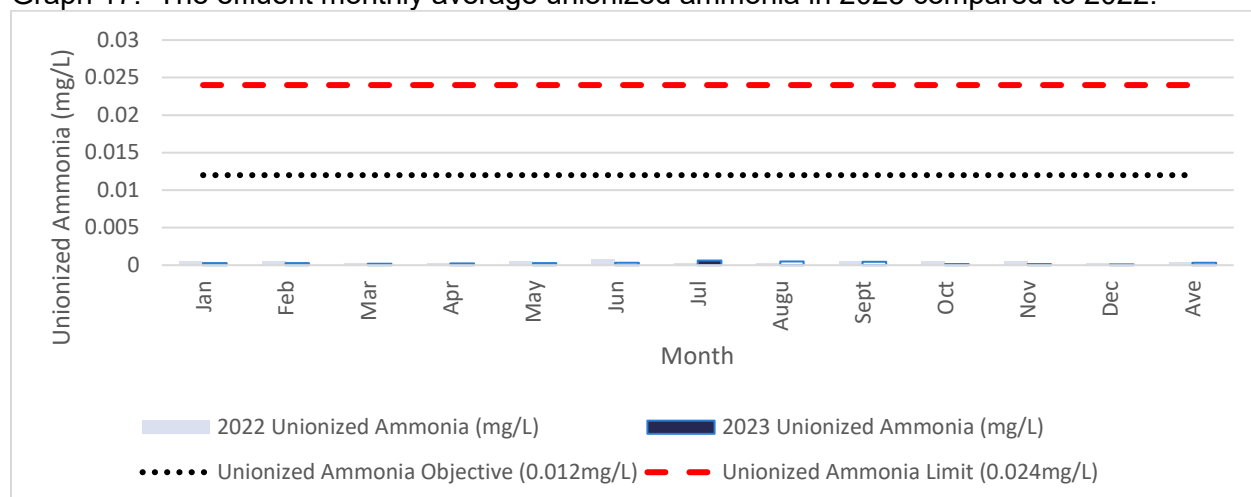
The annual average for effluent NO_3 was 19.0mg/L in 2023. There are no limits or objectives for NO_3 .

Graph 16. The effluent monthly average concentration of NO_3 in 2023 compared to 2022.



The annual average for effluent concentration of unionized ammonia was 0.0003mg/L in 2023. There were no objective or limit exceedances in 2023, refer to Graph 17 for the effluent monthly average concentration of Unionized Ammonia.

Graph 17. The effluent monthly average unionized ammonia in 2023 compared to 2022.



The Port Rowan Wastewater Plant performed well in 2023 producing quality effluent meeting all limits for the ECA’s required parameters. There were some objective exceedances for total suspended solids, total phosphorus and pH and they are discussed further below in **Section F: Objective Exceedances & Best Efforts**.

Section B: Operating Problems and Corrective Actions

There were no operating problems that required corrective actions at the Port Rowan WWTP in 2023.

As per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.4, there were no operating problems at the sewage pumping stations or with the linear infrastructure that required corrective actions for 2023.

Section C: Maintenance Activities

Regular scheduled monthly preventative maintenance for the Port Rowan WWTP and associated SPS’s (as per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.5) are assigned and monitored using the Workplace Management System (WMS) program. Refer to Appendix C for preventative maintenance schedule. Norfolk County’s preventative maintenance of the gravity separate sewers involves a sanitary flushing program (including manhole inspections), aiming to flush 20% of each system on an annual basis. In 2023 a pilot project to optimize sewer system maintenance was also completed, which included screening 10.5km of sanitary sewer, and 146 manhole inspections. Refer to Appendix B for “RATS Sewer System Summary Report – 09January2024”. Items that were repaired or replaced in 2023 were as follows:

Table 6. Port Rowan WWTP Major Maintenance Completed in 2023

January 9	Electrical Contractor site to repair emergency lights and mixer conduit
March 9	Contractor onsite to replace coolant lines for plant generator
April 3	Contractor onsite to install new block heater in plant generator
April 17-19	Operations completed the recovery cleans of train 1 membranes
April 18	Electrical contractor on site to install replacement pressure sensor
April 24	Operations completed the recovery cleans of train 2 membranes
April 25	Contractor onsite to install fusible link in plant generator
May 2	Flow meters calibrated by third party
May 23	Contractor onsite to inspect and maintain air compressor
May 25	Contractor onsite to clean out hauled waste tank
July 5	Electrical Contractor onsite to hook up spare hauled waste pump
July 19	Operations replaced broken diffuser head in aeration tank 2
August 4	Gas monitoring system calibrated by third party
August 25	H2S sensor calibration completed by third party
August 28-29	Contractor built concrete form for new ferrous containment
November 4	Contractor onsite to fix heater in headworks building
November 9	Contractor on site to install digester blower motor – connected November 28
November 16-23	Contractor onsite to complete spill containment construction and apply epoxy
November 28	Backflow preventers inspected by third party
December 1	ESA Inspection completed
December 13	Mechanical contractor onsite to fix east aeration gate and fasten floor grating between aeration tanks

Table 7. Ducks Landing SPS Major Maintenance Completed in 2023

Date	Maintenance Activities
May 2	Flow meter calibrated by third party
November 7	Contractor on site for wet well clean out

Table 8. Front Road SPS Major Maintenance Completed in 2023

Date	Maintenance Activities
May 2	Flow meter calibrated by third party
May 25	Contractor on site for wet well clean out
May 26	Electrical contractor onsite to install new float
November 7	Contractor on site for wet well clean out
November 28	Backflow preventer inspected by third party

Table 9. Mallard Walk SPS Major Maintenance Completed in 2023

Date	Maintenance Activities
May 25	Contractor on site for wet well clean out
November 7	Contractor on site for wet well clean out

Section D: Effluent Quality Assurance

Effluent quality assurance is evaluated by monitoring parameters and changes throughout the plants processes. The operators monitor the basin by performing weekly tests on the mixed liquor. These tests include dissolved oxygen, pH, temperature, settling tests and Mixed Liquor

Suspended Solids (MLSS). As well, monitoring of chemical dosages and wasting volumes are completed. Data collected from these tests provide valuable information to the operators to make the appropriate adjustments in the treatment process and take corrective actions before the plant reaches its effluent limits.

Section E: Calibration and Maintenance on Effluent Monitoring Equipment

The Port Rowan WWTP effluent flow meter was calibrated by JBF Controls Ltd. on May 2, 2023. In house meters for pH and dissolved oxygen were calibrated by JBF Controls Ltd. on October 23, 2023 as per manufacturer’s instructions.

As per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.5 –Ducks Landing SPS and Front Road SPS have flow meters that require calibrations. These meters were calibrated by JBF Controls Ltd on May 2, 2023.

Section F: Objective Exceedances & Best Efforts

Table 10. Sample results compared against the effluent objectives and loading limits.

Parameter	Effluent Objective (mg/L)	Monthly Effluent Result Ranges (mg/L)	# of Objective Exceedances	Effluent Loading Limit (kg/d)	Monthly Loadings Result Ranges (kg/d)	# of Limit Loading Exceedances
cBOD ₅	2.5	2.0-2.4	0	2.85	1.00-1.64	0
TSS	1.0	1.0-1.8	6	1.14	0.50-1.01	0
TP	0.06	0.02-0.08	5	0.07	0.01-0.06	0
TAN	2.0(1.0)	0.03-0.07	0	2.48(1.28)	0.02-0.04	0
UA	0.012	0.0001-0.0006	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
E. coli (cfu/100mL)	12	1.0-4.4	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
pH*	7.0-8.5	6.55-8.15	0	n/a	n/a	n/a

*minimum and maximum result (not monthly averages)

Table 11. Objective exceedances in 2023.

Date	Parameter	Concentration mg/L	Loadings kg/d	Issue and Proactive Actions Taken
04/2023	TSS	1.3	1.52	Cleaned Membranes
05/2023	TSS	1.2	1.28	Cleaned Membranes
07/2023	TSS	1.8	1.18	Cleaned Membranes
08/2023	TSS	1.2	1.19	Cleaned Membranes
09/2023	TSS	1.3	1.00	Cleaned Membranes
11/2023	TSS	1.2	1.15	Cleaned Membranes
02/2023	TP	0.07	0.04	Increased Ferrous Chloride
03/2023	TP	0.07	0.06	Increased Ferrous Chloride
04/2023	TP	0.08	0.06	Increased Ferrous Chloride
06/2023	TP	0.08	0.04	Increased Ferrous Chloride
07/2023	TP	0.07	0.04	Increased Ferrous Chloride

The Port Rowan WWTP performed well in 2023 producing quality effluent. There were a total of eleven (11) objective exceedances in 2023. In order to ensure compliance, the operators continue to use best operating practices.

Section G: Sludge Handling and Generated

Sludge sampling results can be found in Appendix C. Sludge is removed from the Port Rowan WWTP and sent to the Townsend Lagoon for processing or taken to field for land application. The total volume generated in 2023 was 1,360.0m³, refer to Table 12 below for a breakdown and Table 13 for the sludge disposal locations.

It is expected that 2024 will be similar to 2023 with approximately 1,500m³ of sludge being removed from the Port Rowan WWTP.

Table 12. Sludge Generation 2023.

Month	Townsend Lagoon (m ³)	Field (m ³)	Total (m ³)
January	0	0	0
February	254	0	254
March	135	0	135
April	0	135	135
May	0	0	0
June	90	0	90
July	181	0	181
August	0	0	0
September	135	88	223
October	122	0	122
November	0	220	220
December	0	0	0
Total	917	443	1,360

Table 13. Sludge Disposal Locations 2023.

Site	NASM#	Lot	Con.	Township	Port Rowan WWTP (m ³)	Dates Spread
HN1334	60288	14	5	Woodhouse	135.0	April 14, 2023
B1165	60695	17	1	Onondaga	88.0	September 28, 2023
HN1039	60789	13	5	Woodhouse	220.0	November 3, 2023
Total					443.0	

Section H: Complaints

There were no complaints received for the Port Rowan WWTP in 2023.

As per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.6 - there were no community complaints received for the Port Rowan sewage pumping stations or gravity separate sewers in 2023.

Section I: By-pass, Spill or Abnormal Discharge Events

Norfolk County Collection/Distribution Operators flush twenty percent of the wastewater collection system annually to help eliminate the possibility of bypass/overflows. This also allows operations to assess the system for deficiencies. This information is then taken into consideration when planning infrastructure upgrades and budget forecasting.

There were no bypasses or spills at the Port Rowan WWTP in 2023.

As per CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.3, 4.6.8 and 4.6.9 - There were no overflow events (raw sewage spills) at the Port Rowan SPS's or within the linear infrastructure in 2023.

Section J: Copy of Notice of Modifications Submitted

There were no modifications to the process at the Port Rowan WWTP that required a Notice of Modification to Sewage Works in 2023.

As per the CLI-ECA Schedule E Condition 4.6.7 – There were no alterations to the Port Rowan SPS's or linear infrastructure in 2023.

Section K: Report Summarizing Modifications as a result of Schedule B, Section 3

There were no modifications to the process at the Port Rowan WWTP as a result of Schedule B, Section 3 in 2023.

Section L: Other Information:

There is no other information for the Port Rowan WWTP to report to the Water supervisor for 2023.

Appendix A: Port Rowan WWTP Monitoring Data

Appendix B: RATS Sewer System Summary Report

Appendix C: Maintenance Summary

Appendix D: Sludge Monitoring Data