

Delcliffe Water Utility - Water Quality Report for August 2020

Delcliffe Water Utility issued a Water Quality Advisory on July 26, 2020 due to continuous high turbidity. The advisory was rescinded on August 20, 2020 when turbidity levels returned to normal (<1 NTU).

1. Source

The Delcliffe water utility pumps raw water from Okanagan Lake through a screened intake line to a covered reservoir. The water is chlorinated with sodium hypochlorite as it enters the baffled reservoir. The reservoir provides chlorine contact time and the system is then fed from a booster station located at the reservoir. A raw (untreated) water sample is taken at the lake pump station at least once a month. Table 1 summarize the results for bacterial and turbidity for the untreated water.

Table 1 Delcliffe Lake Pump Station (untreated)

Parameter	Laboratory		# of Samples	# of Deviations	Reading(s)
E.coli ²	Caro	MPN/100 mL	1		1
E.coli ²	GVW	MPN/100 mL	1		<1
Total Coliform	Caro	MPN/100 mL	1		1990
Total Coliform	GVW	MPN/100 mL	1		62.4
Turbidity ¹	Operator Grab Sample	NTU	4 ³		0.81, 0.91, 0.70, 0.74

¹Operation Guideline: As outlined in Deviation Response Plan, turbidity < 1 NTU

2. Treatment Plant

The Delcliffe water utility utilizes chlorine disinfection only. Table 2 summarizes chlorine and turbidity levels at the point the water enters the distribution system.

Table 2 Delcliffe Water Treatment

Parameter	Laboratory		# of Samples	# of Deviations	Min	Max	Average
Free Chlorine ²	SCADA ¹ Daily Average	mg/L	31 Days		1.45	2.19	1.88
Turbidity ²	SCADA ¹ Daily Average	NTU	31 Days	3 ³	0.53	1.07	0.80

¹SCADA: Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition.

²Drinking Water Treatment Objectives_ BC (Sec 4.3): Determine number of raw water samples with E. coli >20 CFU. The number of E. coli in raw water does not exceed 20/100 mL in at least 90% of the weekly samples from the previous six months.

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²WQ Deviation Response Plan - Free Chlorine <0.20 mg/L or >2.20 mg/L; Turbidity <1.0 NTU.

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3. Distribution

The Delcliffe water utility provides potable water to 30 residential connections. The majority of connected residents are seasonally occupied, with approximately 11 connections considered year-round or permanent. The population increases to an estimated one hundred and eighty (180) persons during peak summer months. Table 3 summarize the results for chlorine, turbidity, and bacteria for the distribution system. Table 4 summarizes the daily flow rates for this month.

Table 3 Delcliffe Distribution Parameters

Parameter	Laboratory		# of Sample s	# of Deviations	Min	Max	Average
Free Chlorine ¹	Operator Grab Sample	mg/L	4		1.66	2.16	1.84
Total Chlorine ¹	Operator Grab Sample	mg/L	4		1.86	2.30	2.04
E.coli	Caro	CFU/100 mL	4		<1	<1	<1
Total Coliform	Caro	CFU/100 mL	4		<1	<1	<1
Turbidity ¹	Operator Grab Sample	NTU	4		0.53	0.98	0.78

¹WQ Deviation Response Plan - Free Chlorine <0.20 mg/L Turbidity < 1.0 NTU.

Table 4 Monthly Flows for Delcliffe Distribution System

Flow Statistics	Min (ML/Day)	Max (ML/Day)	Average (ML/Day)	Monthly Total (ML)
Delcliffe	0.10	0.16	0.12	3.69

4. Customer Calls

Customer calls within the Delcliffe service area are tracked and recorded. There were no customer calls in August.

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