

Drinking-Water System Number:	210000130
Drinking-Water System Name:	Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant
Drinking-Water System Owner:	Corporation of the Town of Essex
Drinking-Water System Category:	Large Municipal Residential System
Period being reported:	January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

<p><i>Complete if your Category is Large Municipal Residential or Small Municipal Residential</i></p> <p>Does your Drinking-Water System serve more than 10,000 people? Yes [x] No []</p> <p>Is your annual report available to the public at no charge on a web site on the Internet? Yes [x] No []</p> <p>Location where Summary Report required under O. Reg. 170/03 Schedule 22 will be available for inspection.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> Town of Essex Municipal Office 33 Talbot St. S. Essex, ON </div>	<p><i>Complete for all other Categories.</i></p> <p>Number of Designated Facilities served:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;">N/A</div> <p>Did you provide a copy of your annual report to all Designated Facilities you serve? Yes [] No []</p> <p>Number of Interested Authorities you report to:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px 0;">N/A</div> <p>Did you provide a copy of your annual report to all Interested Authorities you report to for each Designated Facility? Yes [] No []</p>
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Note: For the following tables below, additional rows or columns may be added or an appendix may be attached to the report

List all Drinking-Water Systems (if any), which receive all of their drinking water from your system:

Drinking Water System Name	Drinking Water System Number
Harrow-Colchester South Distribution System	210000130

Did you provide a copy of your annual report to all Drinking-Water System owners that are connected to you and to whom you provide all of its drinking water?

Yes [x] No []

Indicate how you notified system users that your annual report is available, and is free of charge.

- Public access/notice via the web
- Public access/notice via Government Office
- Public access/notice via a newspaper
- Public access/notice via Public Request
- Public access/notice via a Public Library
- Public access/notice via other method As when requested

Describe your Drinking-Water System

A surface water treatment plant, with a rated capacity of 10,228 m³/day consisting of:

1. An intake system is a rock-filled timber structure with a vertical steel bellmouth; an installed chlorination solution diffuser ring at bottom of the bellmouth for Zebra Mussel chemical control.
2. A low lift pumping station consisting of an inlet chamber, two screen chambers, two micro strainer chambers and one pump well.
3. A solids contact up-flow clarifier.
4. Two dual media type filters.
5. Chemical storage and feed equipment consisting of a storage tank and two chemical metering pumps.
6. Two clearwells following filters.
7. A two celled, in-ground treated water storage reservoir.
8. A high lift pumping station consisting of one, two-compartment, high lift pump well with three vertical turbine pumps.
9. The Harrow-Colchester South Distribution System supplies water to a population of approximately 10,400 persons. It consists of approximately 145 km of water lines ranging in size from 2" to 16". Operation and maintenance of the system is performed by the Essex Water Department. All regulatory sampling for the Distribution System is conducted by the Ontario Clean Water Agency staff. All water for this system is supplied by the Harrow-Colchester South Water Treatment Plant.

List all water treatment chemicals used over this reporting period

1. Clarion A5
2. Polymer Norfloc 122
3. Powdered Activated Carbon (PAC)
4. Chlorine Gas
5. Sodium Hypochlorite
6. Cat-Floc 8103 PLUS

Were any significant expenses incurred to?

- Install required equipment
- Repair required equipment
- Replace required equipment

Please provide a brief description and a breakdown of monetary expenses incurred

Harrow-Colchester South WTP	
Valve Replacement, 5 Isolation Valves	\$23,013.51
Pole Barn Maintenance	\$14,385.63
Chlorine Analyzer Replacement	\$11,453.05
Filter Room Lighting Replacement	\$2,810.60
Frazzle Ice Pump tow behind unit	\$71,153.28
Alum Pump Replacement & Install	\$13,421.20
Highlift Pump Replacement & Install	\$72,780.79
WTP Backwash 12in Control Valve	\$7,020.74
Diesel Fuel	\$793.05
Replacement and upsizing of 1,300m of 300mm PVC watermain along Country Road 50 and Twin Gables Dr.	\$1,083,025
Total	\$1,299,856.85

Provide details on the notices submitted in accordance with subsection 18(1) of the Safe Drinking-Water Act or section 16-4 of Schedule 16 of O.Reg.170/03 and reported to Spills Action Centre

No incidents occurred in 2025

Incident Date	Parameter	Result	Unit of Measure	Corrective Action	Date of Resolution

Microbiological testing done under the Schedule 10, 11 or 12 of Regulation 170/03 during this reporting period

	Number of Samples	Range of E.coli Or Fecal Results (min #)-(max #)	Range of Total Coliform Results (min #)-(max #)	Number of HPC Samples	Range of HPC Results (min #)-(max #)
Raw	52	10 - 100	10 -4100	N/A	N/A
Treated	52	0 - 0	0 – 0	52	10 - 30
Distribution	312	0 - 0	0 – 0	128	10 - 50

Operational testing done under Schedule 7, 8 or 9 of Regulation 170/03 during the period covered by this Annual Report.

	No. of Samples Collected for period being reported	Range of Results	
		Minimum	Maximum
Turbidity, On-Line (NTU) - Filt1	8760	0	0.24
Turbidity, On-Line (NTU) - Filt2	8760	0	0.61
Free Chlorine Residual, On-Line (mg/L) - TW	8760	0.85	1.50
Total Chlorine Residual, In-House (mg/L) - TW	365	1.10	1.70
Free Chlorine Residual, In-House (mg/L) - DW1	102	0.61	1.23
Free Chlorine Residual, In-House (mg/L) - DW2	102	0.63	1.15
Free Chlorine Residual, In-House (mg/L) - DW3	102	0.56	1.27
Free Chlorine Residual, In-House (mg/L) - DW4	51	0.65	1.10

Summary of additional testing and sampling carried out in accordance with the requirement of an approval, order or other legal instrument.

Date of legal instrument issued	Parameter	Date Sampled	Result	Unit of Measure
MDWL 029-101 Dated: April 3, 2021	Backwash Water	01/15/25	<2.0	mg/L
	Decant	02/12/25	<2.0	mg/L
	Suspended Solids	03/05/25	<2.0	mg/L
	Annual Average	04/09/25	<2.0	mg/L
	<25 mg/L	05/07/25	3.0	mg/L
		06/02/25	<2.0	mg/L
		07/07/25	3.0	mg/L
		08/05/25	<2.0	mg/L
		09/03/25	2.0	mg/L
		10/06/25	<2.0	mg/L
		11/03/25	5.0	mg/L
		12/02/25	<2.0	mg/L
		Annual Average		2.4

Summary of Inorganic parameters tested during this reporting period or the most recent sample results

TREATED WATER	Sample Date (yyyy/mm/dd)	Sample Result	MAC	No. of Exceedances	
				MAC	1/2 MAC
Antimony: Sb (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.6	6.0	No	No
Arsenic: As (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.2	10.0	No	No
Barium: Ba (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	14.1	1000.0	No	No
Boron: B (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	15	5000.0	No	No
Cadmium: Cd (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	0.007	5.0	No	No
Chromium: Cr (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	0.18	50.0	No	No
Mercury: Hg (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	1.0	No	No
Selenium: Se (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	0.1	50.0	No	No
Uranium: U (ug/L) - TW	2025/04/14	0.018	20.0	No	No
Additional Inorganics					
Fluoride (mg/L) - TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.06	1.5	No	No
Nitrate : (mg/L) - TW	2025/01/15	0.345	1.0	No	No
Nitrate : (mg/L) - TW	2025/04/14	0.911	1.0	No	No
Nitrate : (mg/L) - TW	2025/07/07	0.266	1.0	No	No

Nitrate : (mg/L) - TW	2025/10/07	0.16	1.0	No	No
Nitrite : (mg/L) - TW	2025/01/15	< MDL 0.003	10	No	No
Nitrite : (mg/L) - TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.003	10	No	No
Nitrite : (mg/L) - TW	2025/07/07	< MDL 0.003	10	No	No
Nitrite : (mg/L) - TW	2025/10/07	< MDL 0.003	10	No	No
Sodium / Na (mg/L) - TW	2025/04/14	8.57	20*	No	No

*There is no "MAC" for Sodium. The aesthetic objective for sodium in drinking water is 200 mg/L. The local Medical Officer of Health should be notified when the sodium concentration exceeds 20 mg/L so that this information may be communicated to local physicians for their use with patients on sodium restricted diets.

Summary of lead testing under Schedule 15.1 during this reporting period
(Applicable to the following drinking water systems; large municipal residential systems, small
Municipal residential systems and non-municipal year-round residential systems)

Location Type	Number of Samples	Range of Results		MAC (µg/L)	Number of Exceedances
		Minimum	Maximum		
Distribution - Lead - Pb: (µg/l)	13	0.15	0.30	10	0
Distribution - AlkalinityCaCO ₃ : (mg/L)	13	66	80	n/a	n/a
Distribution - pH Lab	13	6.83	7.38	n/a	n/a

Summary of Organic parameters sampled during this reporting period or the most recent sample results

TREATED WATER	Sample Date (yyyy/mm/dd)	Sample Result	MAC	Number of Exceedances	
				MAC	1/2 MAC
1,1-Dichloroethylene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.33	14	No	No
1,2-Dichlorobenzene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.41	200	No	No
1,2-Dichloroethane (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.35	5	No	No
1,4-Dichlorobenzene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.36	5	No	No
2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.2	100	No	No
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.25	5	No	No
2,4-Dichlorophenol (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.15	900	No	No
2,4-Dichlorophenoxy acetic acid (2,4-D) (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.19	100	No	No
Alachlor (ug/L) -TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	5	No	No
Atrazine + N-dealkylated metabolites (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	5	No	No
Azinphos-methyl (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.05	20	No	No
Benzene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.32	1	No	No
Benzo(a)pyrene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.004	0.01	No	No

Bromoxynil (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.33	5	No	No
Carbaryl (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.05	90	No	No
Carbofuran (ug/L) -TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	90	No	No
Carbon Tetrachloride (ug/L) -TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.17	2	No	No
Chlorpyrifos (ug/L) -TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	90	No	No
Diazinon (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	20	No	No
Dicamba (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.2	120	No	No
Dichloromethane (Methylene Chloride) (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.35	50	No	No
Diclofop-methyl (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.4	9	No	No
Dimethoate (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.06	20	No	No
Diquat (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 1	70	No	No
Diuron (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.03	150	No	No
Glyphosate (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 1	280	No	No
Malathion (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	190	No	No
Metolachlor (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	50	No	No
Metribuzin (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	80	No	No
Monochlorobenzene (Chlorobenzene) (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.3	80	No	No
Paraquat (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 1	10	No	No
PCB (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.04	3	No	No
Pentachlorophenol (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.15	60	No	No
Phorate (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	2	No	No
Picloram (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 1	190	No	No
Prometryne (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.03	1	No	No
Simazine (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	10	No	No
Terbufos (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	1	No	No
Tetrachloroethylene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.35	10	No	No
Triallate (ug/L) -TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.01	230	No	No
Trichloroethylene (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.44	5	No	No
Trifluralin (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.02	45	No	No
Vinyl Chloride (ug/L)-TW	2025/04/14	< MDL 0.17	1	No	No
DISTRIBUTION WATER					
HAA Total (ug/L) Annual Average-DW	2025/01/01	5.5	80	No	No
Trihalomethane: Total (ug/L) Annual Average-DW	2025/01/01	16.5	100	No	No

List any Inorganic or Organic parameter(s) that exceeded half the standard prescribed in Schedule 2 of Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards.

Parameter	Result Value	Unit of Measure	Date of Sample
None	N/A	N/A	N/A