

## MEADOWBANK DIVISION

# **Monitoring Program Summary Report**

November 2018

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#### SECTION 1 • BACKGROUND

As required under Part I, Item 20 of Type A Water License 2AM-MEA1526 (Amendment No.2), this report documents the water management and monitoring activities at the mine site for the month. This includes water usage, Vault Attenuation Pond discharge water quality, Phaser Attenuation Pond, East Dike Seepage discharge water quality, RSF Seepage, Central Dike Seepage, Assay Road Seepage, and sewage treatment plant discharge water quality (which are directed to the onsite storm water management pond).

In addition, a summary of spills/actions for the month is reported.

#### SECTION 2 • WATER MANAGEMENT

#### 2.1 WATER USAGE

Fresh and reclaim water usage for November is summarized in Table 2-1 below.

Table 2-1: Freshwater Usage (m<sup>3</sup>)

Water Location	Source Lake	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June
Camp	Third Portage Lake	3 237	3 058	3 404	3 320	3 527	3 304
Mill (freshwater tank)	Third Portage Lake	51 594	165 733	92 668	152 367	136 952	49 471
Emulsion plant	No-name Lake	93	68	88	91	94	47
Total Freshwater Usage (m³)		54 924	168 859	96 161	155 778	140 573	52 822
Ore Water (m <sup>3</sup> )	Ore	2 606	2 047	2 078	1 500	2 854	3 177
Reclaim Water Usage (m³)	Tailings Pond	219 263	122 845	156 278	89 402	149 282	229 403

Water Location	Source Lake	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Camp	Third Portage Lake	3 330	3 270	3 265	3 319	3 409		36 443
Mill (freshwater tank)	Third Portage Lake	47 009	43 408	49 672	30 397	93 314		912 585
Emulsion plant	No-name Lake	68	66	60	87,0	75,9		838
Total Freshwater Usage (m³)		50 407	46 744	52 997	33 803	96 799	0	949 866
Ore Water (m³)	Ore	2 895	3 315	2 430	3 002	5 494		31 398
Reclaim Water Usage (m <sup>3</sup> )	Tailings Pond	284 365	289 366	198 531	223 479	129 131		2 091 345

#### 2.2 WASTE ROCK STORAGE FACILITY SEEPAGE

No water was pumped back to the North Cell TSF from the ST-16 sump in November due to frozen condition.

Agnico Eagle completed in November inspections at the Portage and Vault RSFs. No open water sampling at WEP1 (Station ST-30), WEP2 (Station ST-31), ST-16, NP-2 and the downstream lakes were completed in November. NP2-Winter water sampling through ice into NP-2 Lake was done in November as the ice condition permitted safe sampling.

#### 2.3 CENTRAL DIKE SEEPAGE

In November, 171,406 m³ of water was pumped from the ST-S-5 sump back into the South Cell TSF.

Sampling was conducted monthly at ST-S-5 and the South Cell TSF (ST-21) as per the requirements of the NWB water license.

Daily visual inspections were also completed by the Engineering Department.

#### 2.4 ASSAY ROAD SEEPAGE

In November, no water was pumped back to the mill. Inspections of the area were conducted this month. No wells monitoring for CN downstream in November due to frozen condition. No trench sampling in November.

#### 2.5 SEEPAGE AND RUNOFF FROM THE LANDFILL

The landfill was inspected weekly and no seepage or runoff was observed.

# 2.6 SEEPAGE AT PIT WALL AND PIT WALL FREEZE/THAW AND PERMAFROST AGGRADATION

In November, ice wall continue to be observed into Vault Pit.

#### 2.7 SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

One (1) effluent wastewater sample was collected at the onsite sewage treatment plant (STP) in November.

The Seprotech STP results are shown in Table 2.7.1 below; the LJ-Mix STP results are shown in Table 2.7.2. The effluent is discharged to the Stormwater Management pond which is pumped to the South Cell TSF during summer months. In November, no water was discharged from the Stormwater Management pond to the South Cell TSF.

**Table 2.7.1: Seprotech Effluent Results** 

Parameters	Units	November 6, 2018
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	mg N/L	0.31
Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH <sub>3</sub> -NH <sub>4</sub> )	mg N/L	24.0
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg N/L	33.8
BOD-5	mg/L	11
COD	mg/L	65
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	19
Nitrate	mg N/L	7.24
Nitrite	mg N/L	1.29
pH*	Units	7.40
Fecal Coliform	UFC/100 mL	190
Total Coliform	UFC/100 mL	1,200

<sup>\*</sup>Parameter measured by STP operators

Table 2.7.2: LJ-Mix Effluent Results

Parameters	Units	November 6, 2018
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	mg N/L	0.03
Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH <sub>3</sub> -NH <sub>4</sub> )	mg N/L	10.5
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg N/L	16.2
BOD-5	mg/L	9
COD	mg/L	55

Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	30
Nitrate	mg N/L	12.7
Nitrite	mg N/L	0.68
pH*	Units	6.70
Fecal Coliform	UFC/100 mL	1,400
Total Coliform	UFC/100 mL	13,000

<sup>\*</sup>Parameter measured by STP operators

#### 2.8 VAULT ATTENUATION POND EFFLUENT

No discharge occurred from the Vault Attenuation Pond into Wally Lake in November.

#### 2.9 PHASER ATTENUATION POND

No water was pumped from the Phaser Attenuation Pond in November due to frozen condition.

#### 2.10 EAST DIKE SEEPAGE EFFLUENT

In November, a total of 11,226 m<sup>3</sup> was discharged into Second Portage Lake.

Four (4) weekly effluent samples were collected at ST-8 in November 2018. TSS results did not exceed the maximum allowable grab sample concentration (30 mg/L) and maximum average concentration (15 mg/L) permitted by Water License, Part F, Item 6. TSS monitoring results for September 2018 are shown in Table 2.9.1 below. There have been no exceedances of MMER criteria.

Table 2.9.1: East Dike Seepage Results for TSS

Parameters	Units	Nov 05, 2018	Nov 12, 2018	Nov 19, 2018	Nov 26, 2018	Maximum Average Concentration
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	<1.0	4.0	2.0	2.0	2.1

Monthly regular sampling pursuant to the Water License was also conducted at this location. Results are shown in Table 2.9.2 below. There have been no exceedances of MMER for those criteria.

**Table 2.9.2 November 2018 Monthly Monitoring Results** 

Parameters	Units	November 19, 2018
pH*		7.35
Aluminum	mg/L	0.049
Sulphate	mg/L	7.1
Arsenic	mg/L	<0.0005

Copper	mg/L	0.0006		
Nickel	mg/L	<0.0005		
Lead	mg/L	<0.0003		
Zinc	mg/L	<0.001		
Radium 226	mg/L	Analysis not yet complete		
Total Cyanide mg/L		<0.001		

<sup>\*</sup>Parameter measured by environmental technicians

### 2.11 NON CONTACT WATER

No water sample at Portage Area East (ST-5) and West (ST-6) diversion ditches in November due to frozen condition.

#### SECTION 3 • SPILL MANAGEMENT

Figure 3.1 shows reported and non-reported spills for 2018 broken down per month and Table 3.1 summarizes Agnico Eagle spill reports for November.

All spills reported internally (10) were managed appropriately on site according to Agnico's spill contingency plan. No spill was reported to regulators in November. Spills were contained and cleaned, contaminated material was disposed to the appropriate area (landfarm, TSF if required), and the clean-up actions were monitored closely by the Environment Department. There was no off site impact to any watercourses.

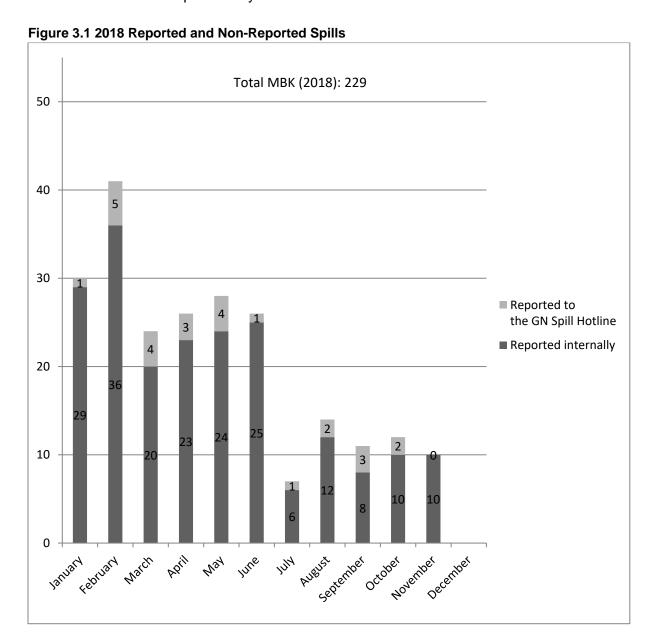


Table 3.1: Summary of Agnico Eagle Internal and Reported Spill Reports, November 2018

Date of Spill	Hazardous Material	Qty	Units (L / Kg)	Location	Cause of spill	Clean-up action taken
November 5, 2018	Diesel	40	L	MBK Refuelling station	Fuel nozzle valve was open. When the operator placed the fuel tree over the truck and started the pump some fuel spilled to the ground	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 7, 2018	Coolant	10	L	Vault Rock Storage Facility	Coolant hose failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 7, 2018	Waste Water	15	L	MBK Behind medical clinic	Sewage pipe was frozen. Opened a flange on the pipe and there was some left in.	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 7, 2018	Transmission Fluid	10	L	Phaser Dump	Dozer transmission broke down	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 17, 2018	Coolant	25	L	Portage parking	Coolant hose failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 23, 2018	Hydraulic oil	10	L	MBK Site Service coverall	Hydraulic fitting failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 24, 2018	Coolant	10	L	MBK Dispatch parking	Water pump failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked

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November 26, 2018	Diesel	4	L	Portage Pit	Fuel Tank Breather was defective and did not stop the automatic shut off on the fuel nozzle on the fuel truck	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 27, 2018	Hydraulic oil	40	L	MBK Primary crusher pad	Hydraulic hose failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately
November 28, 2018	Diesel	20	L	MBK South Pit	Tank ventilation failure	Spill was contained and contaminated soil picked up and disposed of appropriately