

### MEADOWBANK COMPLEX

# Monitoring Program Summary Report August 2024

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#### SECTION 1 • BACKGROUND

On June 13, 2020, Agnico Eagle received the minister's approval for the Water License 2AM-MEA1530 Amendment No.4. This amendment was required to authorize changes to the previously approved uses of water and deposit of wastes needed to reflect the expansion of the Whale Tail Mine.

As required under Part I, Item 21 of Type A Water License 2AM-MEA1530 (Amendment No.4), this report documents the water management and monitoring activities at the mine site for the month. This includes water usage, Vault Attenuation Pond and Phaser Attenuation Pond discharge and water quality, East Dike Seepage discharge water quality, RSF Seepage, Central Dike Seepage, Assay Road Seepage, sewage treatment plant discharge water quality (which is directed to the onsite storm water management pond), an update to the In-Pit disposal and follow up to the AWAR spill at Km 87.

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

#### SECTION 2 • WATER MANAGEMENT

#### 2.1 WATER USAGE

Freshwater usage for the month 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	
Camp	Third Portage Lake	3,070	2,607	2,996	3,056	2,996	
Mill (freshwater tank)	Third Portage Lake	67,195	67,265	68,740	73,895	78,772	
Emulsion plant	Unnamed Lake	0	0	0	0	0	
Total Freshwater Usage (m <sup>3</sup> )		70,265	69,872	71,736	76,951	81,768	
Ore Water (m³)	Ore	4,895	3,611	3,713	2,800	4,141	
Reclaim Water Usage (m <sup>3</sup> )	Tailings Pond	310,525	302,920	323,994	239,893	271,080	

Water Location	Source Lake	June	July	Aug	Total
Camp Third Portage Lake		3,122	2,976	2,848	23,671
Mill (freshwater tank)	Third Portage Lake	93,042	77,779	87,857	614,545
Emulsion plant	Unnamed Lake	0	0	0	0
Total Freshwater Usage (m³)		96,164	80,755	90,705	638,216
Ore Water (m <sup>3</sup> )	Ore	3,424	2,871	3,951	29,406
Reclaim Water Usage (m³)	Tailings Pond	311,616	305,019	307,092	2,372,139

#### 2.2 WASTE ROCK STORAGE FACILITY SEEPAGE

In August, 7,788 m<sup>3</sup> of water was pumped back to Portage Pit from the ST-16 sump. Of that amount, 3,267 m<sup>3</sup> was transferred from WEP1 sump and 2,682 m<sup>3</sup> from WEP2 sump to the ST-16 sump.

Agnico Eagle completed inspections at the Portage and Vault RSFs, no non-conformities were found during the month.

#### 2.3 CENTRAL DIKE SEEPAGE

In August, 27,356 m<sup>3</sup> of water was pumped from ST-S-5 sump to Portage Pits.

Sampling was conducted minimally on a monthly basis at ST-S-5 as per the requirements of the NWB Water License.

Visual inspections are completed monthly, by the Environment Department, as well as daily monitoring of piezometric values.

#### 2.4 ASSAY ROAD SEEPAGE

In August, 2,163 m<sup>3</sup> of water was pumped from the mill trench back to the mill. Routine monitoring and inspection occurred during the month.

#### 2.5 SEEPAGE AND RUNOFF FROM THE LANDFILL

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

#### 2.6 SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

One (1) effluent wastewater sample was collected at the onsite sewage treatment plant (STP) in August. The Seprotech STP results are shown in Table 2.6.1 below; the LJ-Mix STP results are shown in Table 2.6.2. The effluent from the STP is discharged to the Stormwater Management Pond.

In August, 128,430 m³ of water was pumped from the Stormwater Management Pond to Portage Pits.

Table 2.6.1: Seprotech Effluent Results

Parameters	Units	August 19, 2024
Unionized Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	mg N/L	0.046
Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH <sub>3</sub> -NH <sub>4</sub> )	mg N/L	23
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg N/L	24
BOD-5	mg/L	31
COD	mg/L	41
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	8
Nitrate	mg N/L	5.78
Nitrite	mg N/L	1.31
pH*	Units	6.60
Fecal Coliform	UFC/100 mL	20
Total Coliform	UFC/100 mL	<100

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

Table 2.6.2: LJ-Mix Effluent Results

Parameters	Units	August 19, 2024
Unionized Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	mg N/L	0.018
Ammonia-Nitrogen (NH <sub>3</sub> -NH <sub>4</sub> )	mg N/L	9
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg N/L	12
BOD-5	mg/L	57
COD	mg/L	320
Total Suspended Solids	mg/L	210
Nitrate	mg N/L	13.2
Nitrite	mg N/L	0.559
pH*	Units	6.60
Fecal Coliform	UFC/100 mL	11,000
Total Coliform	UFC/100 mL	80,000

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

#### 2.7 VAULT ATTENUATION POND EFFLUENT

No discharge has occurred from the Vault Attenuation Pond since October 9, 2017.

#### 2.8 PHASER ATTENUATION POND

No water was pumped from the Phaser Attenuation Pond during the month.

No water was transferred from BB Phaser Pit sumps to the Phaser Attenuation Pond during the month.

#### 2.9 EAST DIKE SEEPAGE EFFLUENT

No water was discharged from the East Dike to Second Portage Lake during the month. In August, water from the East Dike seepage was discharged into Portage Pits.

#### 2.10 NON-CONTACT WATER

In August, Agnico Eagle completed inspections at Portage Area East diversion ditch (ST-5) and West diversion ditch (ST-6). Portage Area East (ST-5) and West diversion ditches (ST-6) water quality results are shown in Tables 2.10.1 and 2.10.2, respectively.

TSS results for both stations did not exceed the maximum allowable grab sample concentration (30 mg/L), or the maximum average concentration (15 mg/L) permitted by the Water License, Part F, Item 7.

Table 2.10.1: Portage Area East Diversion Ditch (ST-5) Results

Parameter	Units	August 11, 2024
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	2

Table 2.10.2: Portage Area West Diversion Ditch (ST-6) Results

Parameter	Units	August 11, 2024
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	5

#### 2.11 IN-PIT DISPOSAL

Tailings were disposed of in Portage Pits and reclaim water was taken from Portage Pits for the month.

#### **SECTION 3 • SPILL MANAGEMENT**

Figure 3.1 shows reported and non-reported spills for 2024 broken down per month and Table 3.1 summarizes Agnico Eagle spill reports for August.

Three (3) spills occurred on site during the month with one (1) being reported to regulators. Spills were contained and cleaned, contaminated material was disposed of in the appropriate area, and the clean-up actions were monitored closely by the Environment Department. There was no off-site impact to any watercourses.

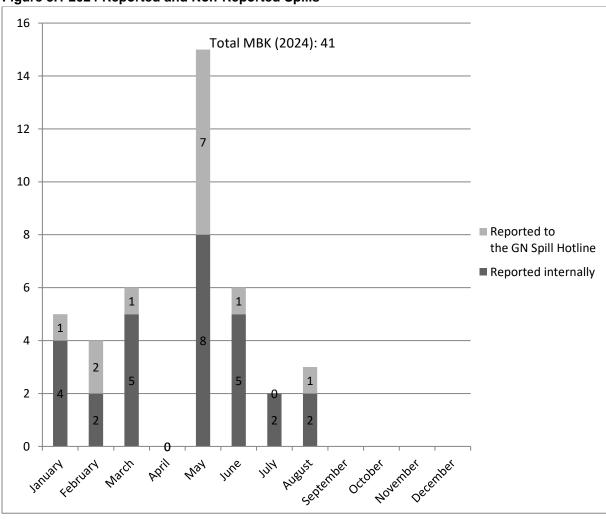


Figure 3.1 2024 Reported and Non-Reported Spills

Table 3.1: Summary of Agnico Eagle Internal and Reported Spill Reports, August 2024

Date of Spill	Hazardous Material	Quantity	Units (L / Kg)	Location	Cause of spill	Clean-up action taken
8/1/2024	Diesel Fuel- Water Mixture	500	L	Baker Lake Marshalling Facilities	Human error	The spill was immediately contained, and a loader was called to remove the contaminated material.  ~ 3 m³ of material was collected and brought to the Meadowbank Landfarm.
8/18/2024	Waste Oil	30	L	Hazmat Seacan	Contaminated Seacan	Contaminated material was collected and brought for disposal at the MBK Landfarm
8/20/2024	Diesel Fuel	20	L	Fuel Farm	Human error	Contaminated material was collected and brought for disposal at the MBK Landfarm

#### 3.1 KM87 SPILL FOLLOW UP

In August, Agnico Eagle completed inspections at KM87 spill areas. A total of 3,205 m³ was pumped from the collection sump and brought to the Stormwater management pond. Sampling was collected downstream of the collection sump at sampling station ST-44. Water quality results are shown in Table 3.2.

Table 3.2: KM87 (ST-44) Results

Parameter	Unit	8/4/2024	8/13/2024	8/18/2024	8/25/2024
рН	pH units	7.49	7.60	8.47	7.10
TSS	mg/L	2	4	3	3
Total oil and grease	mg/L	0.7	6.1	0.6	1.3
Benzene	mg/L	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020
Ethylbenzene	mg/L	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020
Toluene	mg/L	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020
Xylenes	mg/L	< 0.00040	< 0.00040	< 0.00040	< 0.00040
m,p-Xylenes	mg/L	< 0.00040	< 0.00040	< 0.00040	< 0.00040
o-Xylene	mg/L	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020	< 0.00020
F2 (C10-C16)	mg/L	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
F3 (C16-C34)	mg/L	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
F4 (C34-C50)	mg/L	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
Petroleum Hydrocarbons F (C10-C50)	mg/L	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2