Biochemical Oxygen Demand, BOD ₅	Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand, CBOD ₅
Total Suspended Solids, TSS	Fecal Coliforms, FC
pH	Conductivity
Oil and Grease (Visual)	Total Organic Carbon, TOC
Total Hardness	Total Alkalinity
Nitrate-Nitrite	Ammonia Nitrogen, NH ₃ -N
Total Phosphorus, TP	Total Phenols
Magnesium, Mg	Calcium, Ca
Potassium, K	Sodium, Na
Chloride, Cl	Sulphate, SO ₄
Total Arsenic, As	Total Aluminum, Al
Total Antimony, Sb	Total Barium, Ba
Total Beryllium, Be	Total Cadmium, Cd
Total Chromium, Cr	Total Cobalt, Co
Total Copper, Cu	Total Iron, Fe
Total Lead, Pb	Total Lithium, Li
Total Manganese, Mn	Total Mercury, Hg
Total Molybdenum, Mo	Total Nickel, Ni
Total Selenium, Se	Total Tin, Sn
Total Strontium, Sr	Total Thallium, Tl
Total Titanium, Ti	Total Uranium, U
Total Vanadium, V	Total Zinc, Zn

The point of compliance for the water license is the discharge from the lagoon cell into P Lake, CAP-6 whereas the compliance point for the Fisheries Act is the discharge into Telik Inlet, CAP-14. **Table 6**, below, lists the test parameters to be analyzed (for the sampling program) based on the receiving water body.

Table 6: Sampling Analysis for Annual Discharge Monitoring

	Receiving Water Body	
Test Parameter	Fresh (P Lake)	Marine (Telik Inlet)
Biological Oxygen Demand, BOD ₅	X	X
Total Suspended Solids, TSS	X	X
Fecal Coliforms, FC	X	X
Ammonia-Nitrogen, NH ₃ - N	X	X
Total Phosphorus, TP	X	
Heavy Metals	X	X

Sampling of the groundwater monitoring wells (sampling stations CAP-16, CAP-17, CAP-18) at the 2007 Sewage Disposal Facility will be performed once during the summer of each year, prior to the start of the decanting of the lagoon. The following parameters will be analyzed for samples taken from the groundwater monitoring wells:

Biochemical Oxygen Demand, BOD ₅	Fecal Coliforms, FC
Total Suspended Solids, TSS	Oil and Grease (Visual)
pH	Conductivity
Total Hardness	Total Alkalinity
Nitrate-Nitrite	Ammonia Nitrogen, NH ₃ -N
Total Phenols	Calcium, Ca
Magnesium, Mg	Potassium, K
Sodium, Na	Sulphate, SO ₄
Total Arsenic, As	Total Cadmium, Cd
Total Chromium, Cr	Total Copper, Cu
Total Iron, Fe	Total Lead, Pb
Total Mercury, Hg	Total Nickel, Ni

Annual sampling and testing for acute lethality to Rainbow Trout, Oncorhynchus Mykiss and Daphnia Magna will be performed for sampling stations CAP-3, CAP-4 and CAP-14, approximately midway through the decant period.

A grab sample will be taken from each of the three sewage trucks during discharge to the lagoon. Samples from the trucks will provide quality of the raw sewage before it enters the lagoon whereas samples along P Lake will obtain quality of the lake prior to decanting. This data will assist with monitoring the water quality of these areas by comparing the results of both raw and treated wastewater samples. These samples will be taken once during the decanting period. The flow rate of effluent discharge during the decanting period is required as well.

Once collected, the samples will be shipped to the laboratory and analyzed using the same test method/procedure. This sampling program will be conducted over several years to collect sufficient data for trend analysis. It is recommended that following the first two years of operation the amount of sampling for the monitoring program be adjusted by eliminating those locations that are not considered essential to monitoring the treatment system. Locations such as the lagoon inflow and outlet pathway though the wetland area may be removed if they are deemed stable over time, i.e. there have been no substantial changes in the parameters, specifically along the wetland pathway.

All lab results for the monitoring program will be submitted to the inspector upon completion. Note that any other additional sampling during the year will be at the request of the regulatory agencies.

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Hamlet may use either of the two as convenient:

Taiga Laboratories INAC, 4601-52 Avenue, P.O.Box 1500 Yellowknife,NT X1A 2R3 Ph-(867) 669-2781 Fax-(867)669-2718

OR

Caduceon Environmental Laboratories Ottawa, Ontario, K1V 7P1 P (613) 526-0123 F (613) 526-1244

3.4.5 Ground Water Monitoring Wells

As part of the operation of the site, there needs to be a ground water monitoring well network installed. The community plans to install these wells at the following locations;

• Upstream of the new lagoon:64013'14.66"N; 76033'56.66" W

3.4.6 Sludge Monitoring Plan

The sludge blanket will be monitored as part of the annual discharge procedure. Approximately 15 years after commissioning, a study will be undertaken to determine the need and frequency for sludge removal and disposal over the lifetime of the lagoon. The design of the lagoon included storage of the sludge blanket for the first 20 years of operation within the lagoon. If the results from the lagoon discharge point, specifically BOD and TSS analyses, become non-compliance, then sludge removal study can be conducted earlier.

Sludge in sewage lagoons should be sampled more often if required. The purpose of the sampling is to ensure that the sludge remains of a quality suitable for land disposal. Sampling shall consist of a sample collected from the center point of a grid no less than 10 m by 10 m. Sufficient samples shall be taken to describe the entire sewage lagoon. Results from the sludge analysis are to be reported upon completion of the test and in the annual report.

Sludge monitoring will be completed after 10 years of operation, and then every 5 years subsequently. Once the sludge blanket is within 0.3 meters of the outlet structure, the hamlet will remove the sludge to a constructed drying bed.

3.4.7 Geothermal Monitoring

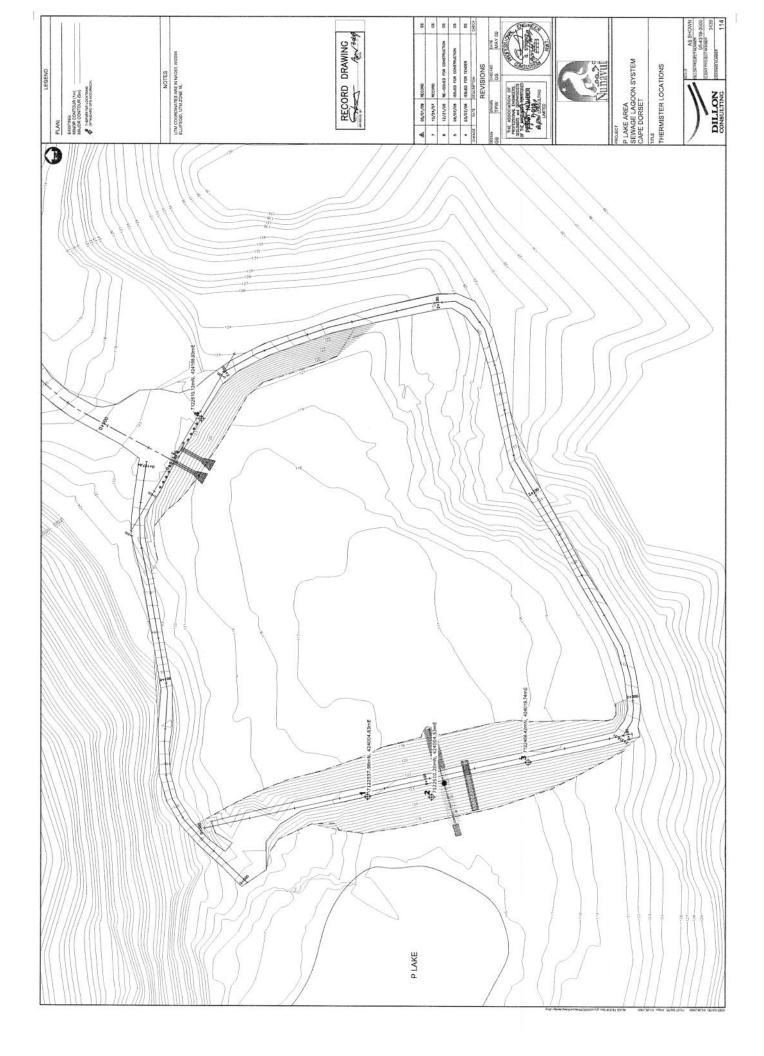
During the design stage, a geothermal analysis of the site location was performed. To confirm data that was applied in the model, four thermistors were installed through the lagoon berms into the foundation strata to record ground temperatures and monitor its thermal regime over time. This analysis will further assist with monitoring the freeze-back of berm foundation and confirm agreement of lagoon water temperatures used in the geothermal analysis with those of an operational lagoon.

Thermistors were placed in the four drilled boreholes in the lagoon berms; three thermistors were installed in the crest of the west berm and one installed in the east berm. Refer to **Figure 5** on page 16 for the location of each thermistor. The coordinates of each borehole and the bead depths of each thermistor string are listed in **Table 7** below.

Table 7: Thermistor String Bead Locations

Borehole	BH-1	BH-2	ВН-3	BH-4
Coordinates	N 64°13.239' W 76°33.971'	N 64°13.225' W 76°33.965'	N 64°13.203' W 76°33.954'	N 64°13.283' W 76°33.763'
Beads	Depth of Bead in meters (m) of Thermistor			
1 st	+1.0	+1.0	+1.0	+1.0
2 nd	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6
3 rd	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2	-4.2
4 th	-6.8	-6.8	-6.8	-6.8
5 th	-9.4	-9.4	-9.4	-9.4
6 th	-11.0	-11.0	-11.0	-11.0
7 th	-14.6	-14.6	-14.6	-14.6
8 th	-18.8	-18.8	-18.8	-18.8

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With the placement of the thermistors, early detection of unknown disturbances in the permafrost ground can be observed. Therefore, it is important to verify that each thermistor is working properly so that it can provide accurate measurements and/or readings. Based on the Geotechnical report, it is recommended that temperature readings be taken at noon on a daily or weekly basis, depending on the time of the year. The following procedures will be performed for the operation and maintenance of the thermistors:

- The thermistors are recoding temperature at every eight hours intervals. Monitoring the operation and collecting data from the field will be done on a four month interval.
- During one year operation of this facility, the data will be analyzed for the purpose of validating assumptions as advised by the Board in item 6 of Part H of the Water License.
- Calibration of the thermistors as specified by the supplier/manufacturer on an as required basis

Refer to thermistor log sheets found in **Appendix D** of this document.

3.4.8 Geotechnical Reviews

A Dam Safety review is to be completed by a qualified geotechnical engineer and will be executed at the following times:

- 3 years after commissioning;
- A frequency of 10 years after the first review.

The review is to include a site inspection and report of the 2007 lagoon based on the following items:

- Dam classification review to verify the original classification is still valid.
- Site inspection of all berms and structures of the lagoon cell.
- Review of the design and construction to verify the systems meets current applicable safety requirements.
- Complete a geothermal assessment of the system based on the recorded thermistor values.
- Safety review to include the operation of all discharge and back up equipment and procedures,
- Maintenance review to verify that all facilities required for safety of the dam and monitoring systems are maintained in satisfactory condition.
- Review of the surveillance and monitoring program and methods to verify that the monitoring program will detect any unsafe conditions in a timely manner.
- Review the level of emergency preparedness to verify that it is appropriate for the facility.
- Review previous report to verify that recommendations have been complied with.

The report generated from the geotechnical review will be submitted as a part of the annual report to the Nunavut Water Board.

3.4.9 Record Keeping and Reporting

Records of all activities and operation should be kept to assist in the planning of annual operations and maintenance as well as the evaluation of the effectiveness of the sewage treatment facility. These records should be kept in the Hamlet Office and be maintained by the facility's supervisor. Sample O&M log sheets for the Cape Dorset Sewage Treatment System are available in **Appendix D** of this document.

Record keeping and reporting requirements are listed in the water license which is attached in **Appendix B** of this document. Based on the record keeping and reporting requirements listed in Part B of the water license, the following information and data should be recorded and be included in the annual report that is submitted to the Board:

- Monthly and annual quantities in cubic meters (m³) of raw sewage offloaded from sewage trucks for the 2001 Sewage Disposal Facility and Emergency Sewage Disposal Facility;
- Number of days of use for the 2001 Sewage Disposal Facility and Emergency Sewage Disposal Facility;
- Monthly and annual quantities in cubic meters (m³) of raw sewage offloaded from sewage trucks for the 2007 Sewage Disposal Facility and Emergency Sewage Disposal Facility;
- Annual quantities in cubic meters (m³) of sewage solids removed from the Sewage Disposal Facilities;
- Number of trips to each of the Sewage Disposal Facilities;
- Start and end date for discharge of lagoon;
- Wastewater analysis results of the sampling stations CAP-6 to CAP-14 of the lagoon treatment system one (1) week prior to decant and weekly during decanting of the lagoon;
- Groundwater analysis results of the monitoring wells CAP-16, CAP-17 and CAP-18 located at the 2007 Sewage Disposal Facility;
- Annual acute lethality results for sampling stations CAP-3, CAP-4 and CAP-14 prior to entry into the ocean;
- Daily and/or weekly temperature measurements of four (4) thermistors located in the lagoon berms;
- Date and description of maintenance activities carried out on the Sewage Disposal Facilities; and
- Date, volume and description of any spills that have occurred.

3.4.10 Health and Safety

Due to the potential health hazards associated with municipal wastewater, it is imperative, for those personnel working in this area, to be familiar with and execute all safety precautions involved with the various work tasks associated with the system.

- Equipment is to be kept clean.
- Wear protective clothing such as gloves and boots at all times.
- Work cloths should not be worn home.
- Hands to be washed frequently; as a minimum before eating and after work.
- Personnel should receive appropriate vaccinations and ensure they are kept up-to-date.

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3.5 Maintenance Procedures

In the proceeding sections, maintenance procedures for the different areas of the wastewater treatment infrastructure are discussed and should be carried out to ensure the system runs efficiently.

3.5.1 Sewage Trucks and Holding Tanks

The most important part of the sewage treatment system and process is the collection and transport of the wastewater from the residences and buildings to the lagoon cell. Therefore, it is crucial that the sewage trucks be kept in good repair. Procedures for truck and tank maintenance are as follows:

- Repairs should be completed immediate and take high priority;
- Full tank sewage trucks should not rest for long periods of time, especially during the winter;
- Holding tanks should be kept in good working order and prevented from freezing in the winter.

3.5.2 Access Road and Truck Pad

Basic road maintenance such as those listed below must be performed on a regular basis to ensure that the site is accessible at all times.

- Road and truck pad be graded smooth and reshaped at least twice (2) per year;
- Snow, when necessary during the winter, to be removed to provide unrestricted access to discharge point;
- During snow removal, care is to be taken not to damage berms and surrounding areas;
- Any spilled and/or frozen wastewater should be removed with the snow to appropriate disposal site:
- Discharged point should be monitored for potential erosion problems.

3.5.3 Drainage

The truck pad at the sewage discharge point should be graded such that any wastewater spilled during the offloading procedure will flow into the lagoon cell and sewage treatment system. During the winter months, it is important to monitor the discharge pipe and weirs as there may be problems with flow during periods of extreme low temperatures. Wastewater remaining in the pipe and weir may freeze, causing blockage and/or buildup which can potentially damage or break the structures.

3.6 Operation and Maintenance Summary

Daily, weekly, monthly and yearly activities and procedures that are required by the operator and maintenance personnel are summarized in **Table 8** shown on the following page.

Table 8: Summary of Operation and Maintenance Tasks

Frequency	Description of Task
Daily	 Collection, transportation and disposal of wastewater and/or sewage from residential and commercial holding tanks to the truck discharge point at the sewage treatment lagoon. Immediate cleaning of any spills. Clearing of snow from access road and truck turn-around pad as required during winter. Maintaining O&M information records (Refer to sample log sheets located in Appendix D).
Weekly	 Inspection of berms, dykes and drainage courses. Monitoring of area surrounding thermistor. Conduct weekly monitoring program (if required). Maintaining O&M information records (Refer to sample log sheets located in Appendix D).
Monthly	 Maintenance of access road and truck pad if required. Monitoring and recording of thermistor readings for monitoring program. Confirm location and readability of signs. Conduct monthly monitoring program (if required). Maintaining O&M information records (Refer to sample log sheets located in Appendix D).
Yearly	 Perform annual decanting of lagoon cell in fall. Conduct geotechnical review of geothermal monitoring program. Grading and reshaping of access road and truck pad. Conduct annual monitoring program (if required). Maintaining O&M information records (Refer to sample log sheets located in Appendix D).

4 SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN

4.1 Community Contact Information

Olayuk Akesuk Senior Administrative Officer Hamlet of Cape Dorset Cape Dorset, NU Tel: (867) 897-4943

4.2 Revisions

The following table summarizes the sections of this spill contingency plan, with their revision dates.

Table 9: Summary of Revisions

Section	Revision Date
1: Introduction and Community Details	September 4, 2009
2: Response Organization	September 4, 2009
3: Action Plan	September 4, 2009
4: Resource Inventory	September 4, 2009
5: Training Program	September 4, 2009
Appendices	September 4, 2009

4.3 Distribution List

This plan and most recent revisions will be distributed to:

Bhabesh Roy Municipal Planning Engineer, C&GS, GN

Olayuk Akesuk Senior Administrative Officer

Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing, Nunavut Water Board

4.4 Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this plan is to outline response actions for potential spills of any size, including a worst case scenario for the Hamlet of Cape Dorset. The plan identifies key response personnel and their roles and responsibilities in the event of a spill, as well as the equipment and other resources available to clean up a spill. It details spill response procedures that will minimize potential health and safety hazards, environmental damage and clean-up efforts. The plan has been prepared to ensure quick access to all the information required in responding to a spill.

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4.5 Community Environmental Policy

The Hamlet of Cape Dorset has no formal environmental policy; however, Cape Dorset is committed to operating in an environmentally sensitive manner, and complying with requirements of the Nunavut Water Board.

4.6 Project Description

This spill contingency plan will be used by the Hamlet, for activities associated with Hamlet operations. These include:

· Operation of the sewage disposal site

4.7 Site Description

See Section 1 of this Operation and Maintenance Manual.

Hamlet personnel that are responsible for the sewage treatment and disposal facility should be trained in Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS), Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act and Regulation (TDGA and TDGR) as well as First Aid. In addition, personnel should ensure that proper vaccinations of employees are kept current and that they are familiar with the response plan. It is good practice to obtain copies of a list of procedures and equipment that are to be used for such emergencies in all sewage trucks and the common work area.

In all response cases, personnel should place their own safety as the highest priority. The procedures that should be taken in the likelihood of a potential fire or spill are described in the following sections.

4.8 Fire

A contingency plan should be developed by the Hamlet Fire Department to describe the response and action protocols to be implemented in the case of a fire. Special precautions should be used in the case of waste burning as it can produce harmful, poisonous gases. If an uncontrolled fire occurs, the following procedure should be implemented:

- Immediately evacuate area and go to community's designated meeting place.
- Keep all personnel up-wind from the source.
- Notify the Hamlet Fire Department at (867) 897-8888.

4.9 Spills

A spill contingency plan has been developed by the Hamlet that identifies the procedures to follow when a spill of any hazardous material has occurred. Similar procedures can be used for the case of sewage spills.

Below, in the subsequent sections, the measures that are to be implemented if a spill or uncontrolled release of a substance occurs during the collection and transportation of wastewater are described for the following areas:

- Initial Response
- Containment Procedures
- Spot Spills
- Spills in Proximity to a Waterbody

4.9.1 Initial Response

If a spill occurs, the first person at the scene will:

- Perform an initial assessment to identity immediate danger.
- 2. Identify the material spilled and verify the nature of the hazard by corresponding to the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) so to apply appropriate safety procedures.
- 3. If possible and safe to do so, cut off and/or stop the source of the spill.
- 4. Control danger to the human life without further assistance, if possible. If, for instance, the spill creates a fire, explosion or other hazard, remove all potential ignition sources.
- 5. Obtain immediately assistance from others and start to contain and/or clean up the spill.
- 6. Contact the Municipal Works Foreman to notify them of the spill as they will contact relevant regulators and community residents of the occurrence.
- 7. Mark off the spill site as to warn the public of the incident and to prevent access.

Once the Municipal Works Foreman has been contacted and have arrived on site, he/she will immediately ensure that:

- 1. Necessary arrangements for first aid and removal of injured personnel have been made. Where possible, necessary action will be taken to secure the site to protect human safety.
- If not already done and is safe to do so, take the appropriate action to stop the flow or release of material/substance as well as to contain or prevent the spread of the spilled material if at all possible.
- 3. Contact the 24 Hour Spill Line at (867) 920-8130 to report spill and obtain additional assistance.
- 4. Contact the Hamlet's Senior Administrative Officer.
- 5. If required, notify the Fire Department at (867) 897-8888 and RCMP Detachment at (867) 897-1111.

4.9.2 Containment Procedures

Response personnel will immediately start to contain the spill to ensure that the spill does not spread and contaminant other areas and/or environment. The following actions might also be taken if relevant to the spill situation:

- 1. If the source of the spill is coming from a leaking fuel truck, then pump fuel into a suitable container or another tank until the tank is dry.
- Culverts that have been potentially affected by the spill should be blocked off to minimize travel of the substance.
- 3. Dig a basin or construct a berm to stop and contain the pathway and flow of the spill.
- 4. Apply absorbent materials to contain and recover small volumes of spilled substance.
- 5. Spilled substance and/or material are to be collected and transported to an approved waste disposal facility in the appropriate matter.

4.9.3 Spot Spills

Spot spills are those that involve a small volume of substance in a controlled material over a small, contained surface area. For spot spills involving hazardous materials, the following steps may be taken by personnel:

- Immediately take action to clean up spill by implementing proper or suitable handling and containment procedures for the material spilled.
- Report spill to the Municipal Works Foreman and Hamlet's Senior Administrative Officer.
- Determine suitable methods for removal of contaminated soils and restoring site of the spill.
 Consult environmental and government agencies for assistance.
- Flag and record locations and information of spot spills for future reference and monitoring.
- In the case of a spot sewage spill, place lime over the sewage, collect and transport the material to the solid waste facility for proper disposal.

4.9.4 Spills in Proximity to a Waterbody

If a spill occurs in close proximity to a waterbody, take necessary actions to prevent the spill entering the nearby waterbody. Similar containment procedures discussed above in Section 4.9.2 can be used to assist with the likelihood of spills located near water bodies.

4.10 Existing Preventative Measures

The community is concerned about the environment and the possibility of a spill occurring and takes precautions when working with hazardous materials; however, no formal preventative measures are in place.

4.11 Additional Copies

Several copies of this plan will be kept in the community, in the Hamlet Office.

4.12 Process for Staff Response to Media and Public Inquires

All media enquiries are directed to the SAO, Olayuk Akesuk

5 RESPONSE ORGANIZATION

5.1 Response Personnel

The following table lists the personnel who will be involved in the spill response. Contact information is also provided.

Table 10. Response Personnel Contact Information

Name	Contact Information	
Olayuk Akesuk (SAO)	897-8943	
Works Foreman at Fire Department	897-8888	

5.2 Flowchart of Response Organization and Communication Lines

The following flowchart outlines the chain of communication to be followed, upon discovery of a spill or release by an employee of the community.

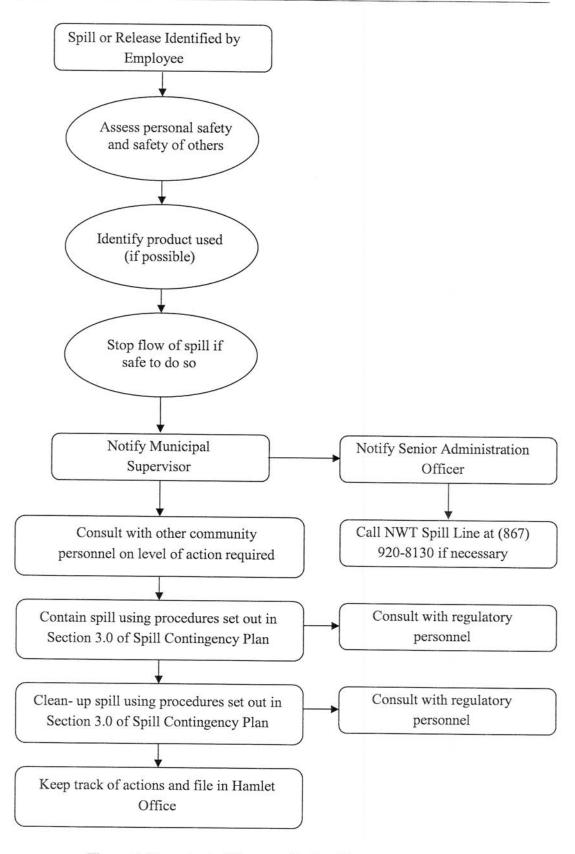


Figure 6: Flowchart of Communication Lines

5.3 Summary of Available Communication Equipment

The following equipment is available in the community for communication purposes:

- · Telephone with land line
- Computers with internet connection in Hamlet Office
- Fax machine

6 ACTION PLAN

6.1 Potential Environmental Impacts of Spill

Generally, for the hazardous materials discussed below, environmental impacts are lower during the winter, as snow is a natural sorbent and ice forms a barrier lining for eliminating soil or water contamination. Spills can be more readily recovered when identified and reported.

Gasoline:

Environmental Impacts:

- · Harmful to wildlife and aquatic life
- Not readily biodegradable
- Has potential to bioaccumulate in environment
- Volatilizes easily
- Runoff into water bodies must be avoided

Worst Case Scenario: All fuel drums open simultaneously and contents pour onto ground and surrounding environment.

Diesel:

Environmental Impacts:

- · Harmful to wildlife and aquatic life
- Not readily biodegradable
- Has potential to bioaccumulate in environment
- Burns slowly (more readily contained than volatile fuels)
- Runoff into water bodies must be avoided

Worst Case Scenario: All fuel drums open simultaneously and contents pour onto ground and surrounding environment.

Waste Oil and Miscellaneous Oils and Grease:

Environmental Impacts:

- · Harmful to wildlife and aquatic life
- Not readily biodegradable
- Has potential to bioaccumulate in environment
- Runoff into water bodies must be avoided

Worst Case Scenario: All storage drums open simultaneously and contents pour onto ground and surrounding environment.

Sewage:

Environmental Impacts:

- Human health hazard, and unsightly appearance
- High nutrient concentrations could negatively impact water bodies and runoff into water bodies must be avoided

Worst Case Scenario: Full sewage truck releases all of its contents onto ground and surrounding environment.

6.2 Procedures

6.2.1 Procedures for Initial Actions

The following list of actions should be followed by the first person on the scene:

- Ensure safety of all personnel
- Identify the product spilled
- Assess the hazards and risks to persons in the vicinity of the spill
- · If possible, without further assistance, control the danger to human life
- If it is safe to do so, and if possible, stop the spill (i.e. shut off pump, replace cap, tip drum upward, etc.)
- Gather information on the status of the situation, including:
 - Estimated size of spill
 - Estimated migration route
- Contact Municipal Supervisor, as per flowchart in Figure 3.

6.2.2 Spill Reporting Procedures

Spills should be reported immediately to the Municipal Supervisor, who will notify the SAO. Together they will determine if the spill is to be reported to the NWT 24-Hour Spill Line at 867-920-8130.

Copies of the Spill Report form are available in each spill kit and at the back of this manual. The form will be filled out by the Public Works Foreman (or designate), and faxed or emailed to the NWT Spill Line. Contact information is as follows:

Territorial 24-Hour Spill Line

Phone: (867) 920-8130 Fax: (867) 873-6924 Email: spills@gov.nt.ca

6.2.3 Procedures for the Protection of Human Health and Safety

Following a spill, the health and safety of workers as well as the general public is a priority. Actions taken will depend on the type of spill.

- In the event of a chemical spill: Restrict public access to the spill area. Workers involved in the clean-up of the spill should wear personal protective equipment (PPE).
- In the event of a flammable or combustible material spill: Evacuate adjacent buildings and restrict public access to the spill area. Remove sources of ignition if safe to do so (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in the area). Never walk through or touch the spilled material. Deenergize electrical equipment from a remote location if safe to do so. If ignition sources can not be removed safely, evacuate the area immediately and report the spill situation. All equipment used when handling the material must be grounded. Only spark-arresting equipment should be used during clean-up of the spill. PPE should also be worn by workers involved in the clean-up. Refer to the product Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for further instruction.
- In the event of a sewage spill: Restrict public access (including pets and animals) to the spill area.

6.2.4 Procedures for Containing and Controlling Spill

General procedures noted below will be used to contain and control all spills. Specific procedures for spills on land, water, snow and ice follow.

- First anticipate what will be affected by the spill.
- Assess direction and speed of spill, and any factors that could affect these.
- Determine best location for containing spill.

Spills on Land:

Dykes and trenches can be constructed to contain spills on land. Soil surrounding the spill area can be dug out, and piled up, to create a barrier for the spill. A plastic tarp can be placed at the base of the dyke, so that the pooled material can be removed with sorbent materials. Conversely, trenches can be excavated to permafrost, which will provide a natural containment of the spill. Once the material is contained, it can be pumped out, or removed by using sorbent materials. If the spill is moving very slowly, such structures may not be necessary and the material can be removed before migrating away from the spill location.

Spills on Water:

Spills on water are considered the most serious types of spills, as there is often no containment of the spilled material and water quality and aquatic life are negatively impacted. Booms and weirs can be installed to contain the spill. Booms are designed to float, and are made of absorbent material to soak up the spilled fuel. They are deployed from the shore or a boat, to create a circle around the spill. Weirs are installed across a stream, to prevent further migration. Plywood or other materials found onsite can be used. Barriers made of fence or netting can be used as well, with sorbent material placed at the base of the barrier. Once contained, the fuel can be removed by absorbent materials, pumped out or allowed to volatilize.

Spills on Snow:

Snow acts as a natural sorbent for spilled fuel. Impacted snow is easily visible, and can be shoveled into empty drums or barrels for proper disposal. If the spill is migrating down a hill, a snow dyke can be constructed to contain the spill. A plastic tarp can be placed at the base of the dyke, where spilled fuel is expected to pool. The collected fuel and impacted snow ban be removed with absorbent materials, pumped out, or shoveled into barrels for disposal.

Spills on Ice:

Ice is considered impermeable to fuel, so these spills are generally easy to clean up. Small spills can be cleaned up by placing absorbent materials on top of the ice. Impacted snow and slush can then be removed by shovels, and placed in barrels for disposal. For larger spills, dykes of snow and trenches can be constructed to contain the spill. Pooled fuel can then be removed by adsorbent materials or pumped out. Impacted snow and slush can be shoveled into barrels for disposal.

Worst Case Scenarios:

Worst case scenarios include a dyke or trench overflowing and a large spill on water that cannot be contained with materials available in the community. In the first case, a trench or collection pit could be constructed downstream to collect the fuel. In the second case, an emergency response team would need to be called, with appropriate equipment to deal with the spill.

6.2.5 Procedures for Transferring, Storing and Managing Spill Related Wastes

Spills are generally cleaned up starting at the outer limit of the spill, and working towards the point of the spill. Sorbent materials and hand tools such as cans and shovels are used for smaller spills. Larger spills can be contained with the use of a pump and/or heavy equipment.

Spill wastes include used absorbent materials and containers of impacted water and snow. Sorbent materials should be placed in plastic bags for proper disposal. The containers of impacted water and snow should be sealed and stored until disposal at an approved facility can be arranged.

Following a spill, all used materials need to be properly washed and/or replaced.

6.2.6 Procedures for Restoring Affected Areas

Once a spill has been contained, community personnel will consult with regulatory personnel assigned to the file to determine the level of clean-up required. Regulatory personnel may request that a site specific study be conducted, to ensure appropriate clean-up levels are met.

7 RESOURCE INVENTORY

7.1 On-site Resources

It is recommended that the Hamlet of Cape Dorset retain one spill kit in the community, located at the Maintenance Garage. The spill kit should contain the following:

- 30 socks/booms (3" x 4')
- 30 pillows (2L)
- 24 dispersal bags
- 4 pairs gloves
- 2 pairs goggles
- 6 pairs Tyvek coveralls
- 4 shovels
- 2 spill signs
- 2 repair putty
- 1 Emergency Response Guidebook
- 1 Safety and Compliance Directory
- 1 Spill Response Pocket Guide

This response kit is designed to contain and collect up to 56 gallons of spilled oil. Additional volumes will be accommodated with the use of absorbent products that will be maintained in inventory in sufficient quantities.

The following heavy equipment is also available in the community for spill containment:

- Loader
- Dozer

7.2 Off-site Resources

The following resources are available for assistance if needed:

Territorial 24-Hour Spill Line	(867) 920-8130
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	(867) 669-4295
GN – Emergency Measures Officer	(888) 624-4043
Cape Dorset Health Centre	(867) 897-8820
RCMP (Cape Dorset)	(867) 897-1111
Environment Canada (Emergency) Iqaluit	(867) 975-4644
GN Environmental Health Office	(867) 975-4817
Health Center	(867) 897-8820
First Air Cargo	1-800-267-1247 or (867) 769-7505
GN-Department of Environment	(867) 975-7729

7.3 Training Schedule and Recordkeeping

Training will be conducted on an as-needed basis. Records will be kept in the community office.

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