

Program/Service Information Report

Safe Water Program

2018 Third Quarter

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Key Points

- Health Protection programs conduct annual inspections and disease follow-up.

Strategic Directions & Goals

Service Centred Approach

- We are committed to providing excellent service to anyone interacting with public health.

Building Healthy Communities

- We will work with communities to support the health and well-being of everyone.

Operational Plan Objectives

- WDGPH will complete 100% annual compliance inspections.
- WDGPH will publicly disclose results of inspections (compliance and complaint).
- WDGPH will investigate complaints related to an inspected facility.
- WDGPH will mitigate health hazards and disease transmission based on risk.

Summary of OPHS Program Requirements

OPHS Program: Safe Water

Goals:

- To prevent or reduce the burden of water-borne illness related to drinking water. To prevent or reduce the burden of water-borne illness and injury related to recreational water use.

Strategy:

- Disease Prevention/Health Protection

Requirements:

- To improve health and quality of life
- Reduced morbidity and mortality
- Reducing health inequities among population groups

Accountability Indicators:

2018 Safe Water Indicators	2018 Q3 Actual	Comment
# of days that fluoride levels were below recommended levels at municipal drinking water systems that add fluoride	0% (0/0)	No municipal fluoridated water systems in WDG area
# of drinking water advisories and boil water advisories issued by days advisories were in effect	2	2 boil water advisories issued for 16 and 25 days respectively within the period of July 1 – Sept. 30, 2018
% of the public who use private drinking water supplies who are aware of how to <i>safely manage</i> their own drinking water systems	N/A	This data cannot be tracked at this time as Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is defining 'safely manage' as related to awareness.
# of small drinking water systems where risk categories change from high risk to moderate	0% 0/0	All Small Drinking Water Systems have been assessed as low-risk

or low risk indicating improvement in system performance		
% of days per season beaches are posted	0% 0/0	GRCA posts beach water quality: https://apps.grandriver.ca/beachconditions/public/beachconditions.aspx

Performance variance or discrepancy identified:

- No

Highlights

The two BWAs were associated with stand-alone Small Drinking Water Systems not any municipal drinking water systems. All adverse water quality incidents are reported to and investigated by WDGPH.

Related Reports

- BH.01.SEP0518.C14 2018 Mid-Year Safe Water Program Performance Indicator Summary
- Safe Water – Recreational Water Use (Jan-Jun 2016) Program/Service Information Report
- BH.01APR0517.R09 Well Water Health Analytics
- BH.01NOV0117.R25 Well Water Research Project