

City of Portsmouth



Water System History and Drinking Water Quality Overview

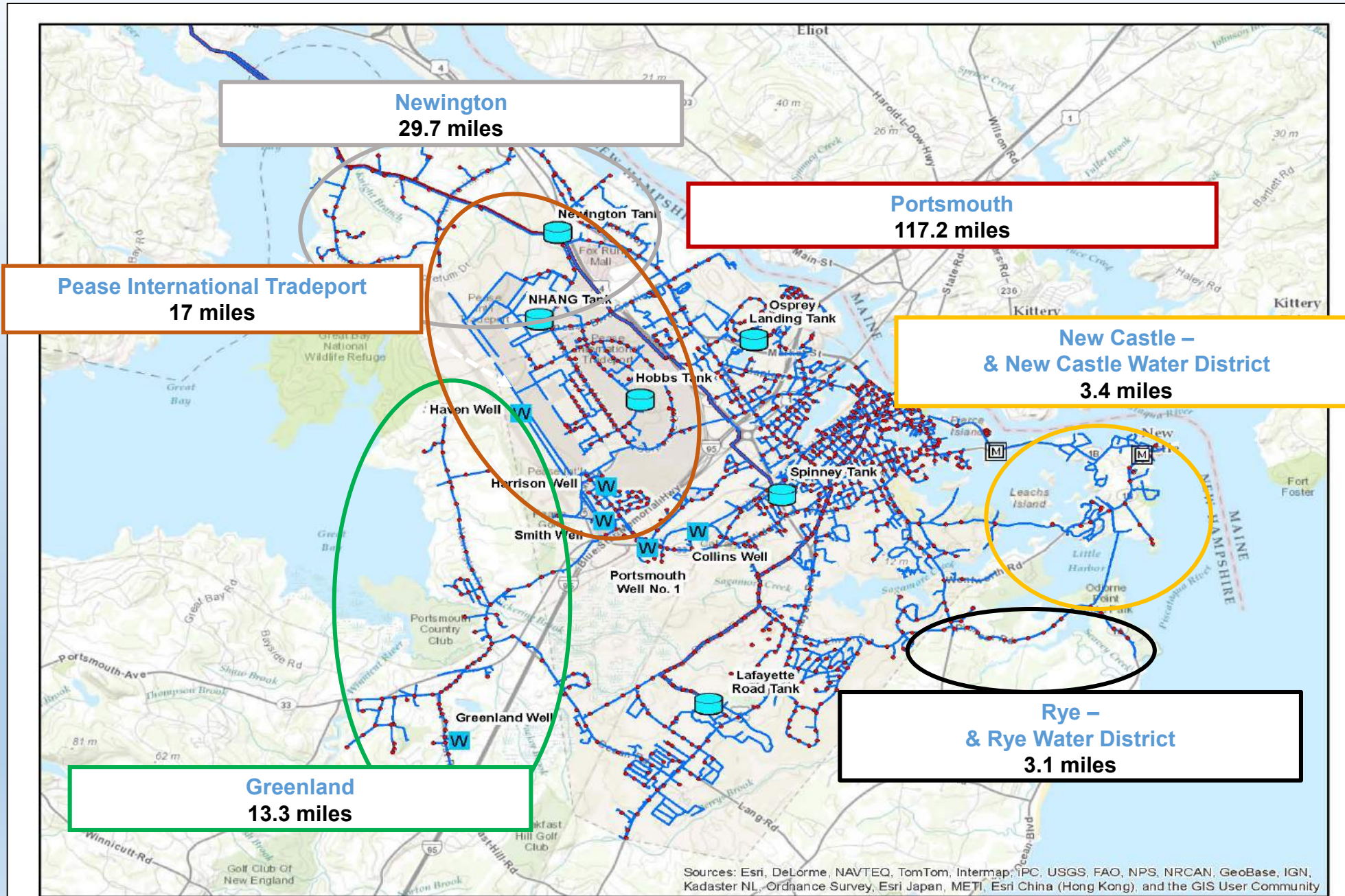
February 2, 2021 Meeting
Updated February 5, 2021
Safe Water Advisory Group (SWAG)

Portsmouth Regional Water System Service Area



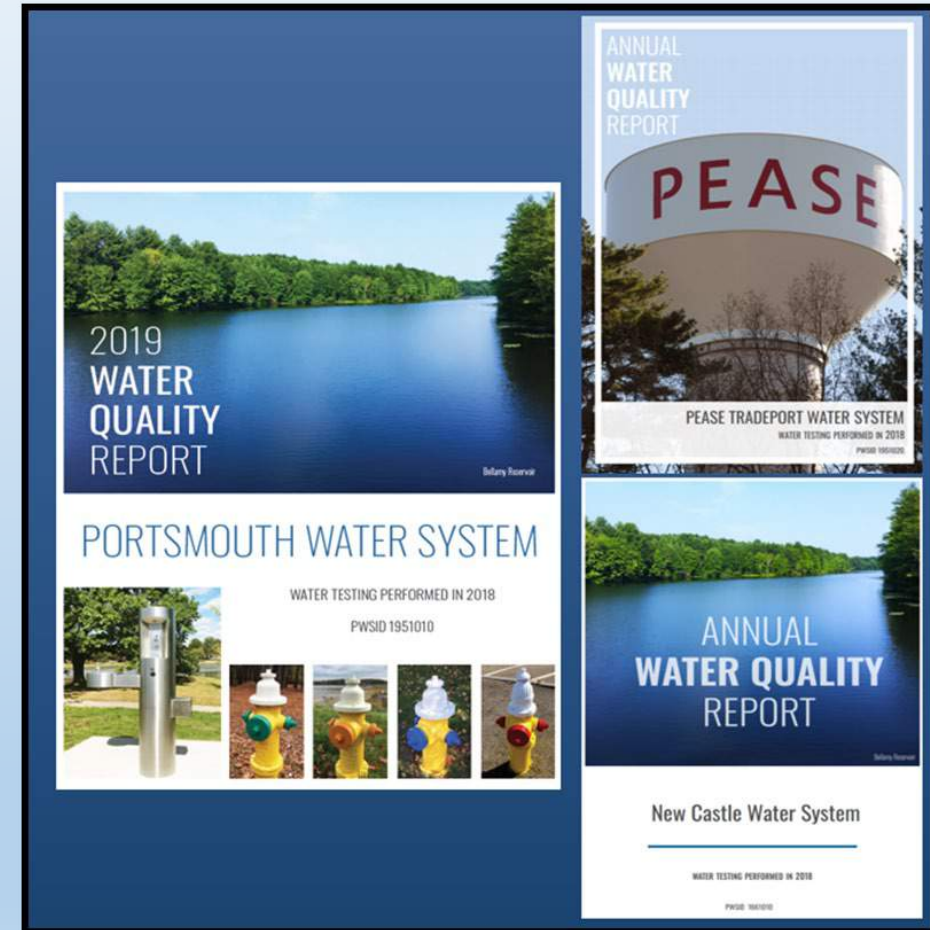
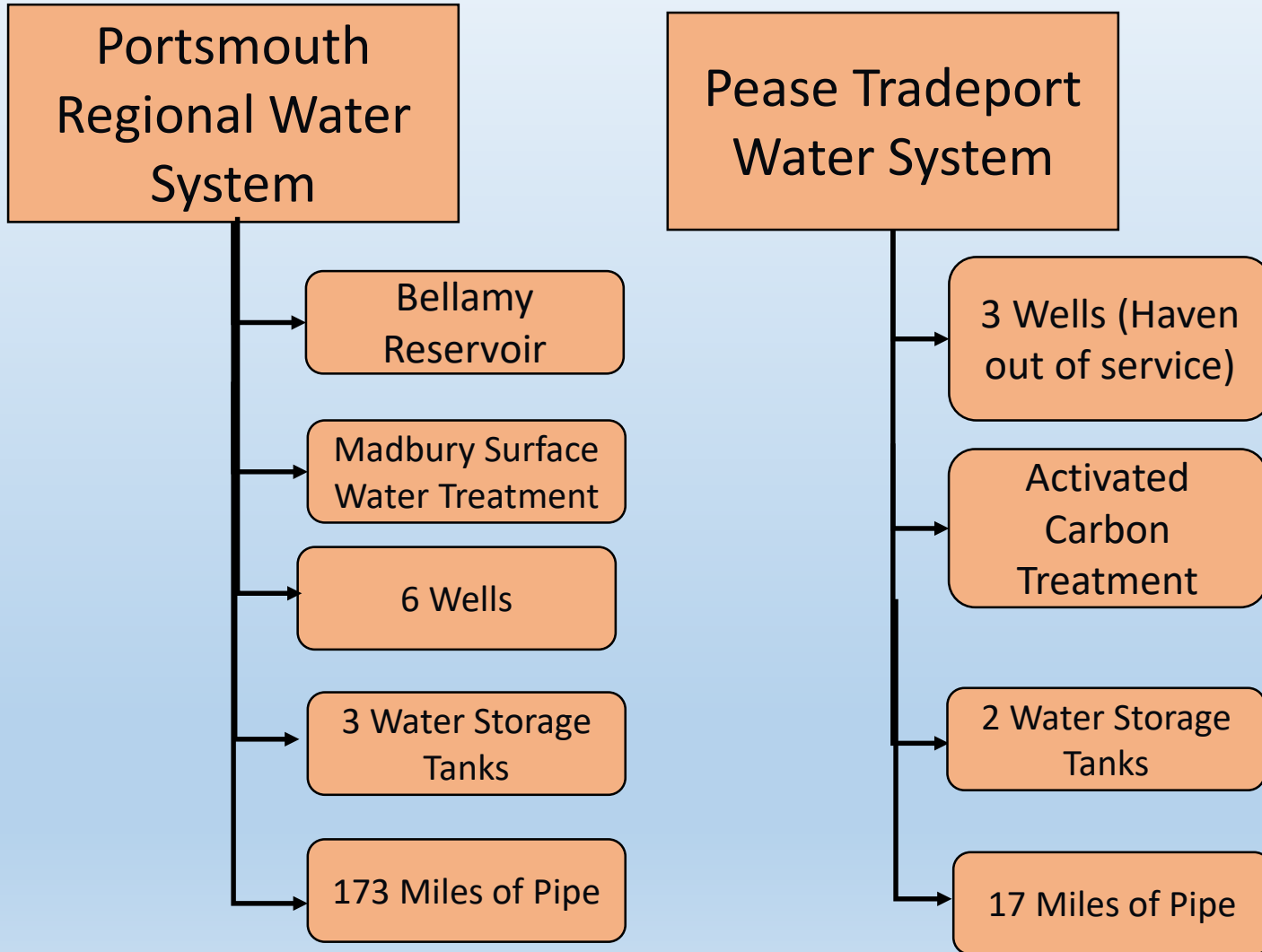
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Portsmouth Regional Water System Service Area – Miles of Pipe



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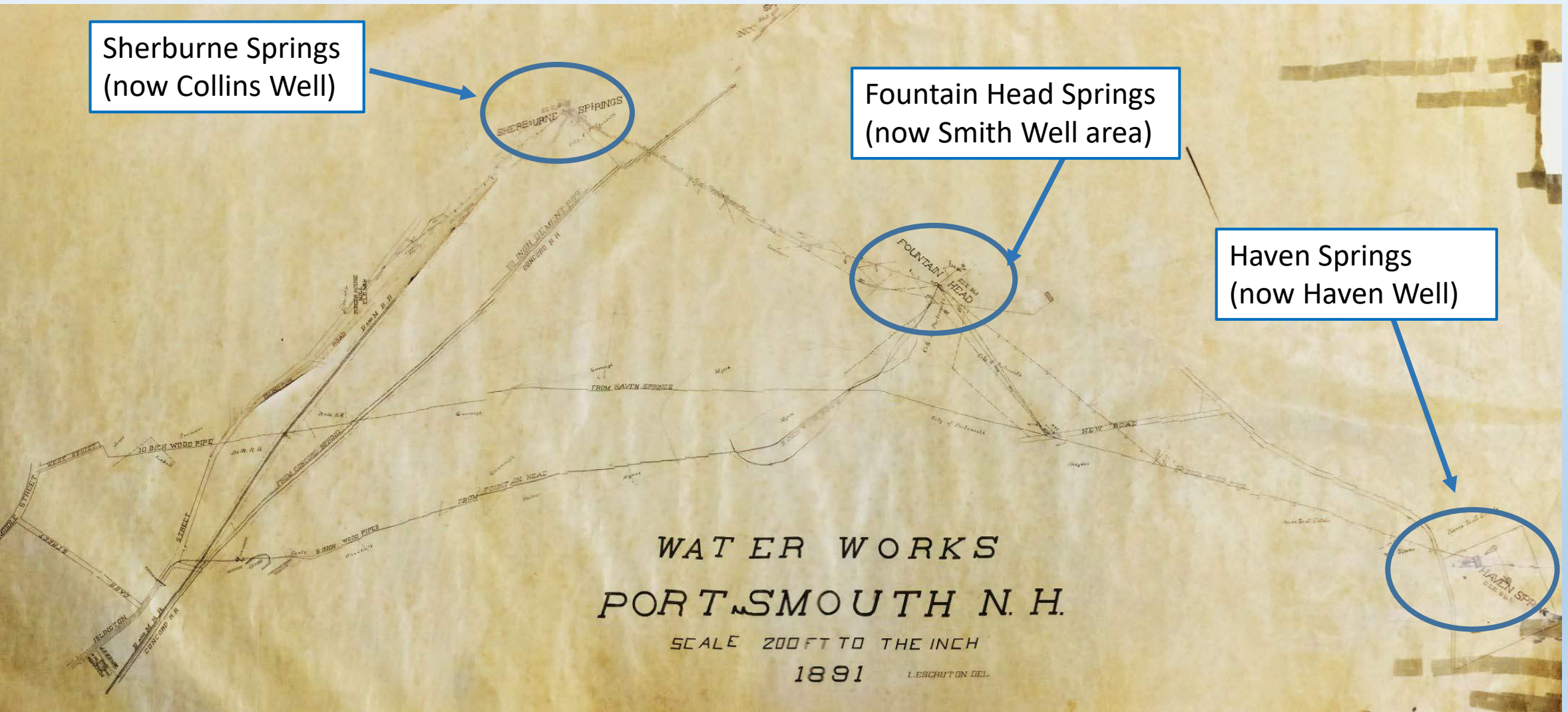
Portsmouth Water Division



History of Portsmouth Water System

- 1797 - Portsmouth Aqueduct Company formed by act of NH Legislature
- Fountain Head Spring Developed (near current Haven Well) and piped to City
- 1867 – Sherburne and Concord Springs added
- 1891 – City takes over system
- 1950's – Pease Air Base takes over Haven Well and builds new tanks and pipes in Pease area for it's own, separate water system. Madbury Wells, Bellamy Reservoir and Madbury Water Treatment Facility are built by Air Force to replace water sources for City
- 1990's – Pease system turned over to Pease Development Authority. City takes over operations.

Water Sources in 1891



Portsmouth, NH - Water System Overview

Wooden Pipes – 1800's

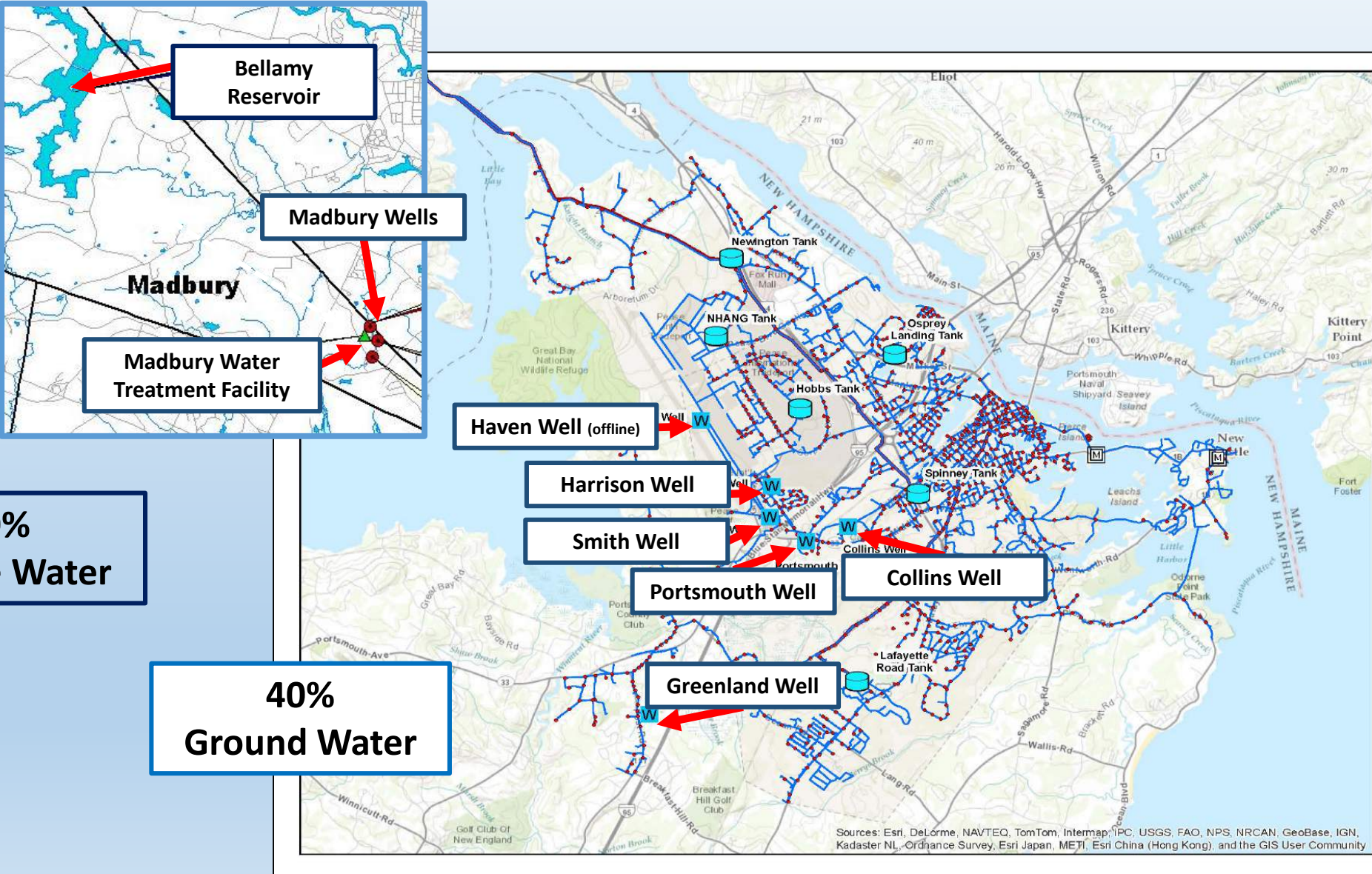


Over 100 Years of Customer Metering



Portsmouth, NH - Water System Overview

Portsmouth Water – Sources of Supply

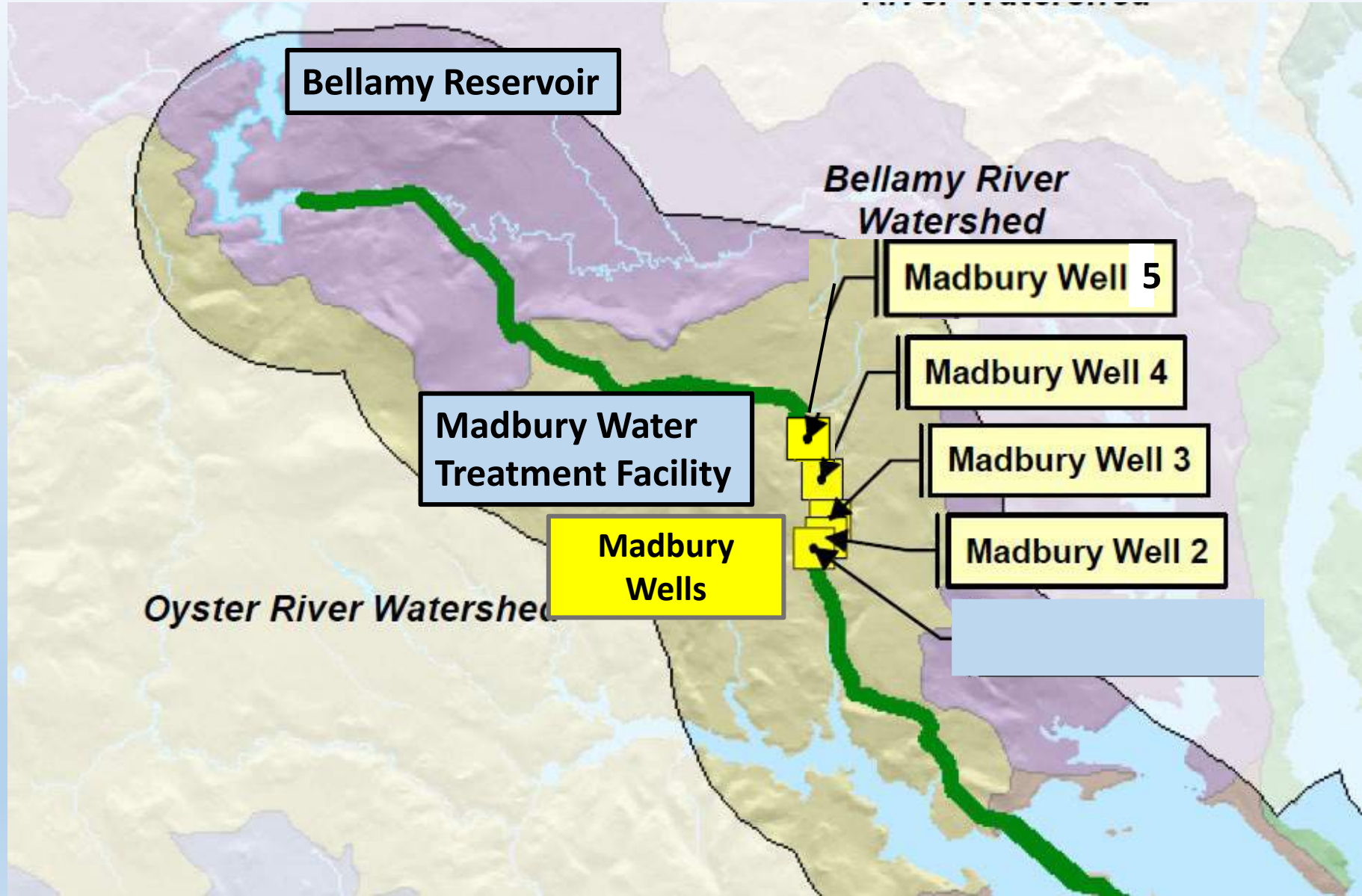


60%
Surface Water

40%
Ground Water

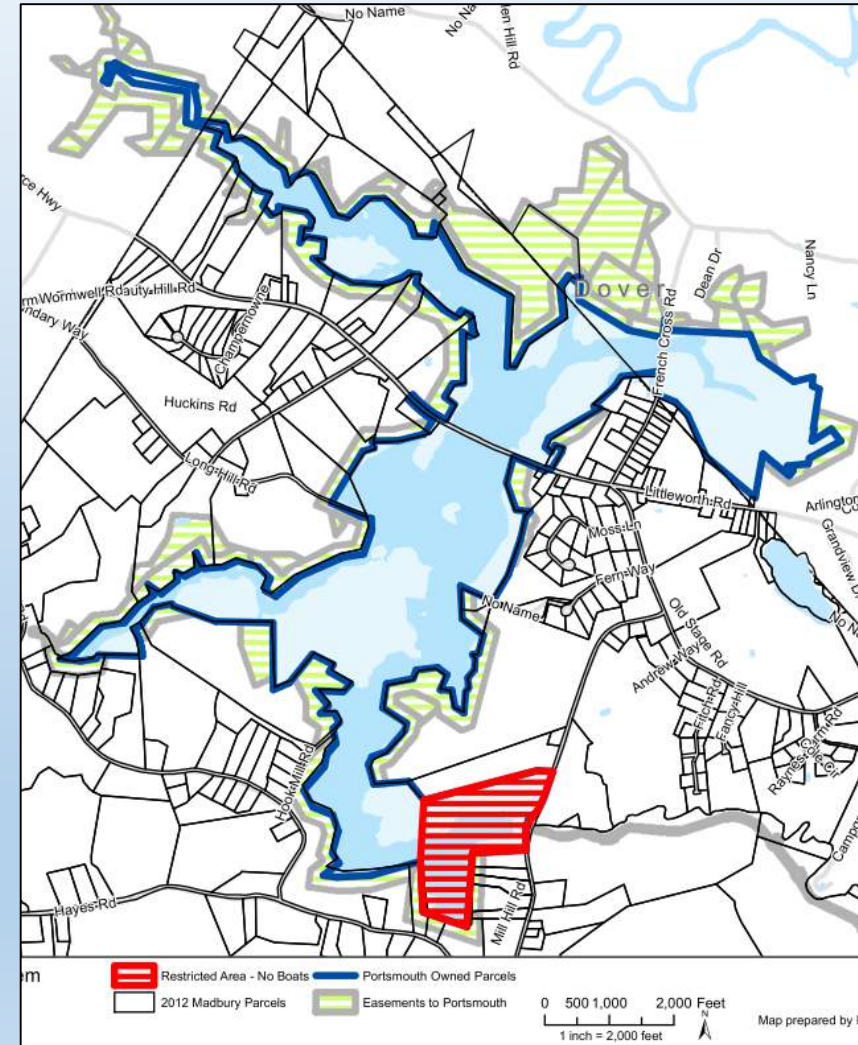
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Madbury Surface and Groundwater Sources



Bellamy Reservoir – 1960

888 Million Gallon Capacity



Madbury Water Treatment Facility – 2011 LEED Silver Certification



Three Madbury Wells – 1957



Madbury Well #5 – Permitted in 2016

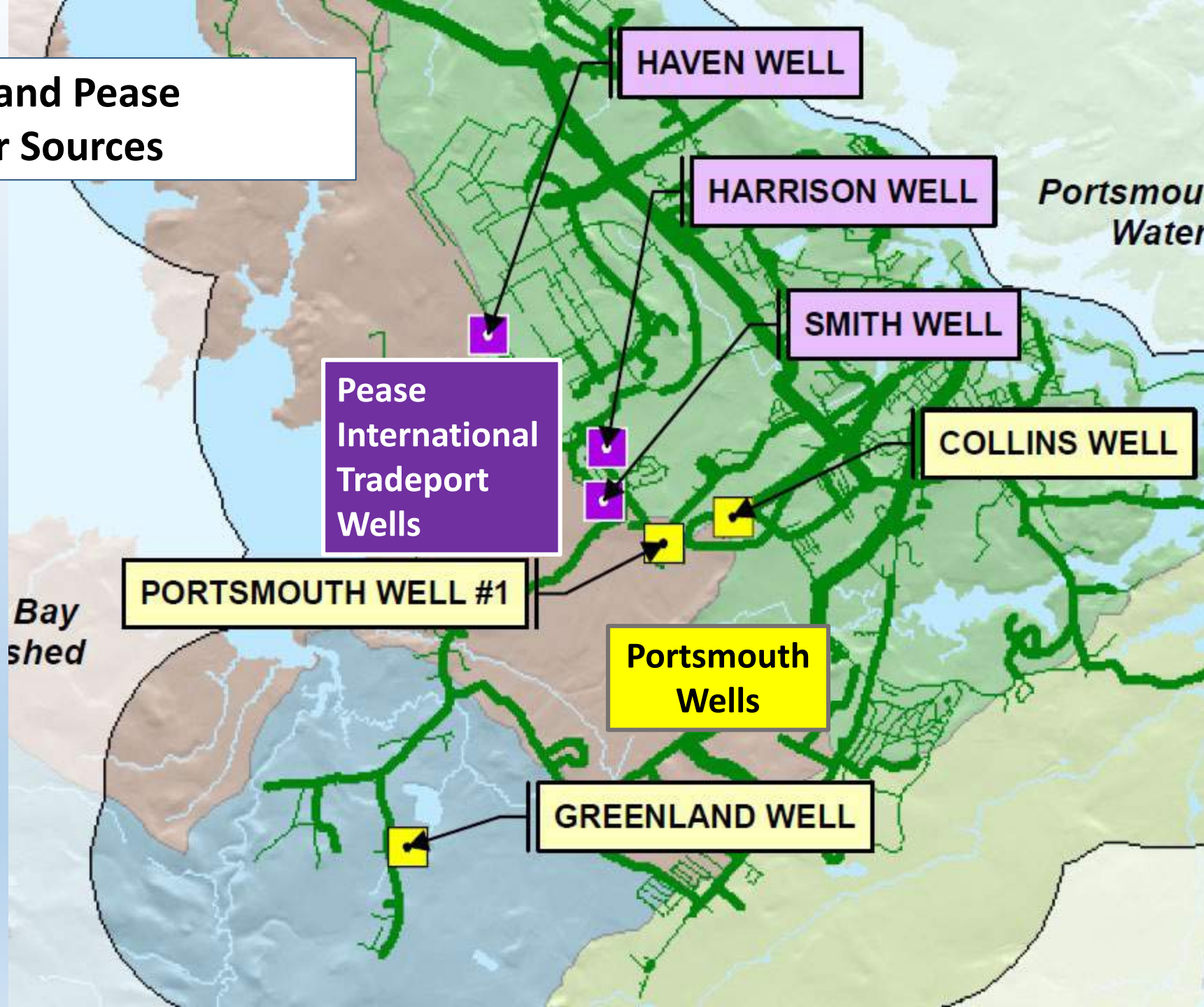
Construction of Facilities Scheduled for 2021

720,000 GPDay



Portsmouth, NH - Water System Overview

Portsmouth and Pease Groundwater Sources



Portsmouth Well #1

Originally Installed in 1859



500,000 GPD Day



Collins Well

**Originally Installed in 1889
(Sherburne Springs)**



360,000 Gallons Per Day



Greenland Well - 1949

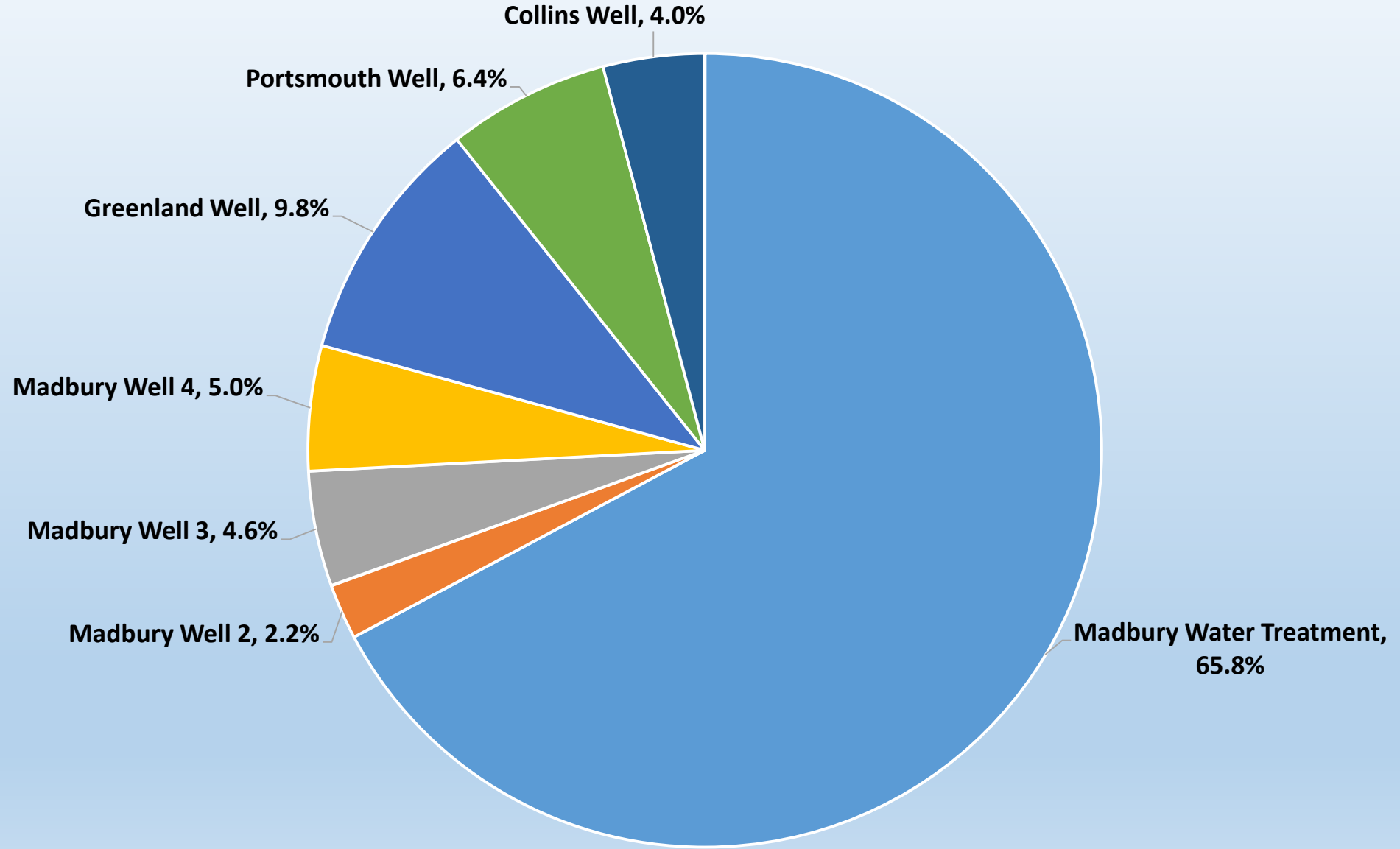
Originally installed in 1949

New Facilities in 2016

650,000 GPDay



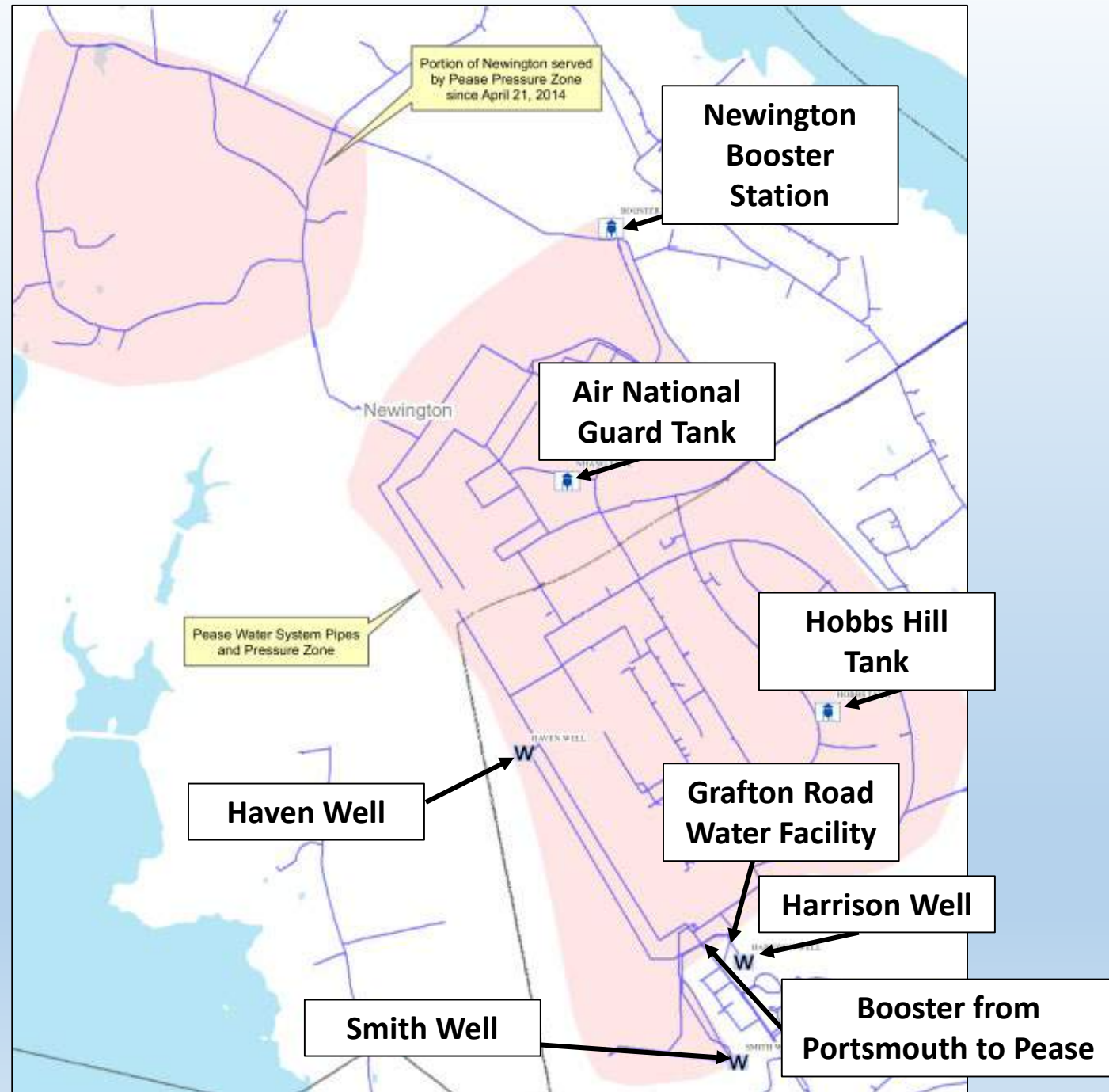
**Percent Portsmouth Water Sources
July 2014 to November 2020**



Pease International Trade Port Water System

- Built in the 1950's for the Pease Air Force Base
- Turned over to Pease Development Authority (PDA) in the 1990's
- Operated by the City of Portsmouth under agreements with PDA since 1992
- Three groundwater sources:
 - Haven Well (originally developed in 1870 by the City of Portsmouth's water system – currently off-line due to PFC contamination)
 - Smith Well (installed in 1958 as part of Air Base water system)
 - Harrison Well (reactivated in 2007)
- Two Elevated Storage Tanks
 - Hobbs Hill Landing – 600,000 gallons
 - Air National Guard – 400,000 gallons

Pease Tradeport Water System



Smith Well

Installed in 1957



500,000 Gallons per Day



Harrison Well

Installed in 1957
Replaced in 2006

325,000 Gallons per Day



Haven Well – Out of Service Since May 12, 2014

Installed in 1875 (Haven Springs)
Part of Pease Air Base: 1956 to 1992
PDA/Portsmouth: 1992 to 2014
Currently off-line: Shut down in May 2014 due to PFOS contamination

766,000 Gallons per Day



Pease Grafton Road Water Treatment Facility



Construction of New Drinking Water Treatment Facility Upgrade – October 2020

Pease Grafton Road Water Treatment Facility

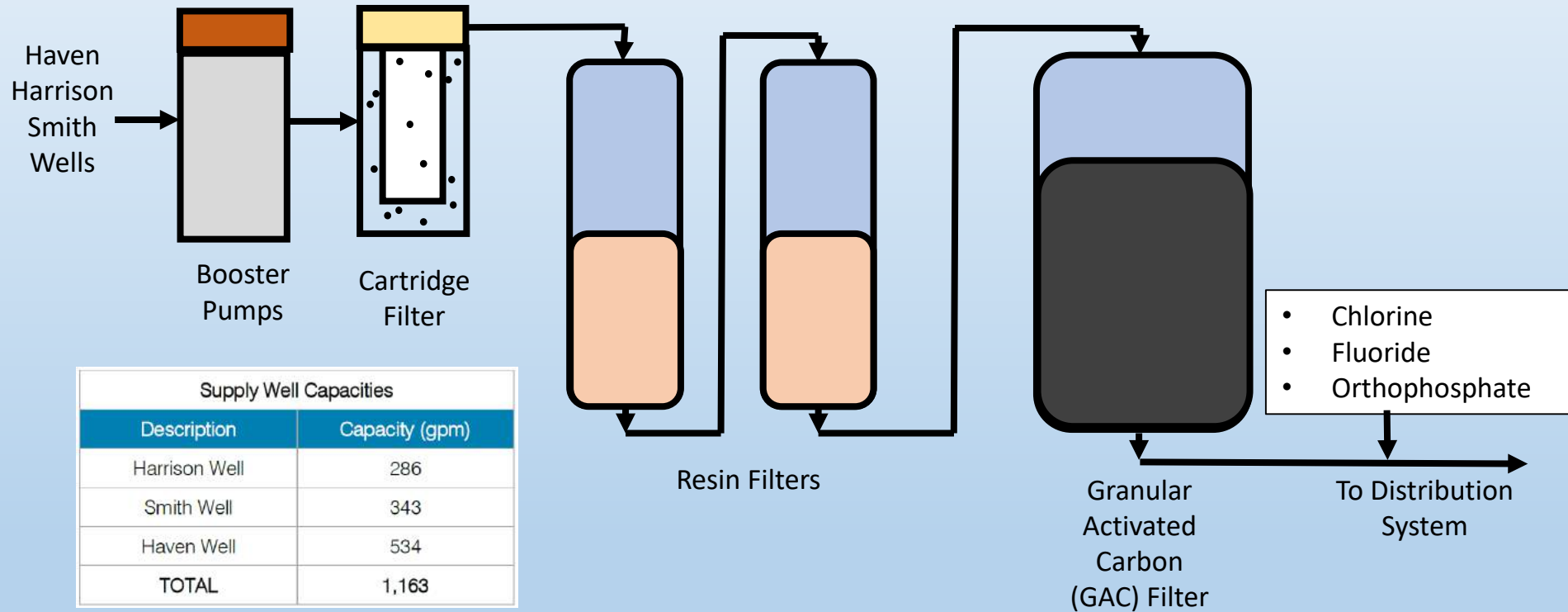


New Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Filters



IOX Resin Filter Vessels

Grafton Road Water Facility Process Schematic Treatment System



System Supply Operations

- Regulated by the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act
- Administered by EPA and NHDES Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau
- Testing and reporting requirements for all sources of supply
- 24/7 Operations and Oversight



Water Supply Operations Staff



Brian Goetz, Deputy Director of Public Works

Years of Experience: 33

Years with City: 8.5

BS – Technology, Bowling Green State University

MPA – Environmental Policy, Indiana University



Albert Pratt, Water Resource Manager

Years of Experience: 30

Years with City: 5.5

MS – Civil Engineering, University of New Hampshire

BS – Civil Engineering, University of New Hampshire

Water Supply Operations Staff



Mark Young, Chief Operator of WTP

Years of Experience: 25

Years with City: 14.5

NETI – Automotive Technologies



Tim Green, Water Treatment Operations Foreman

Years of Experience: 11

Years with City: 7 Months

A.A. - General Education- Granite State College

Water Supply Operations Staff



Mason Caceres, Water Quality and Resource Protection Specialist

Years of Experience: 1.5

Years with City: 1.5

B.Sc. – Environmental Science – University of New Hampshire



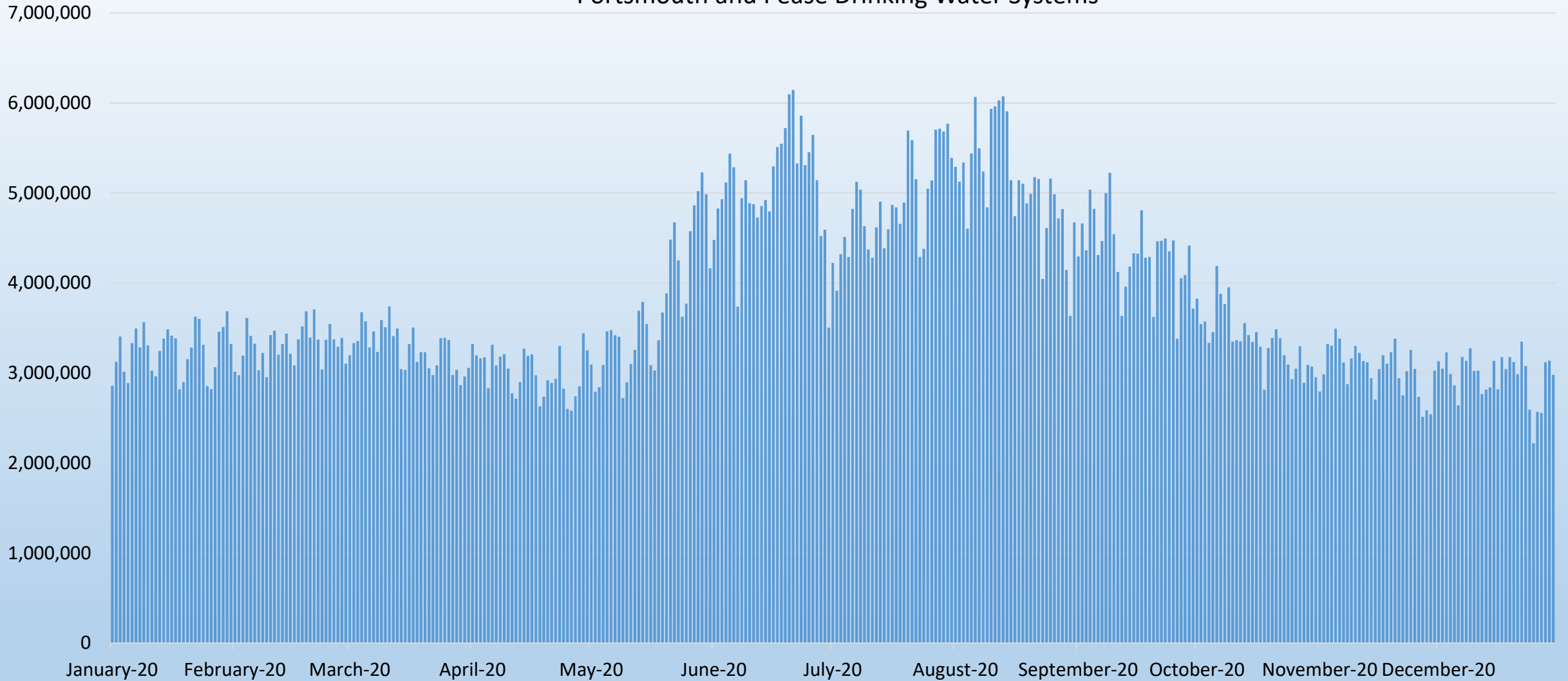
Phoebe Rafferty – Stormwater and Water Quality GIS Specialist

Years of Experience: 4

Years with City: 2

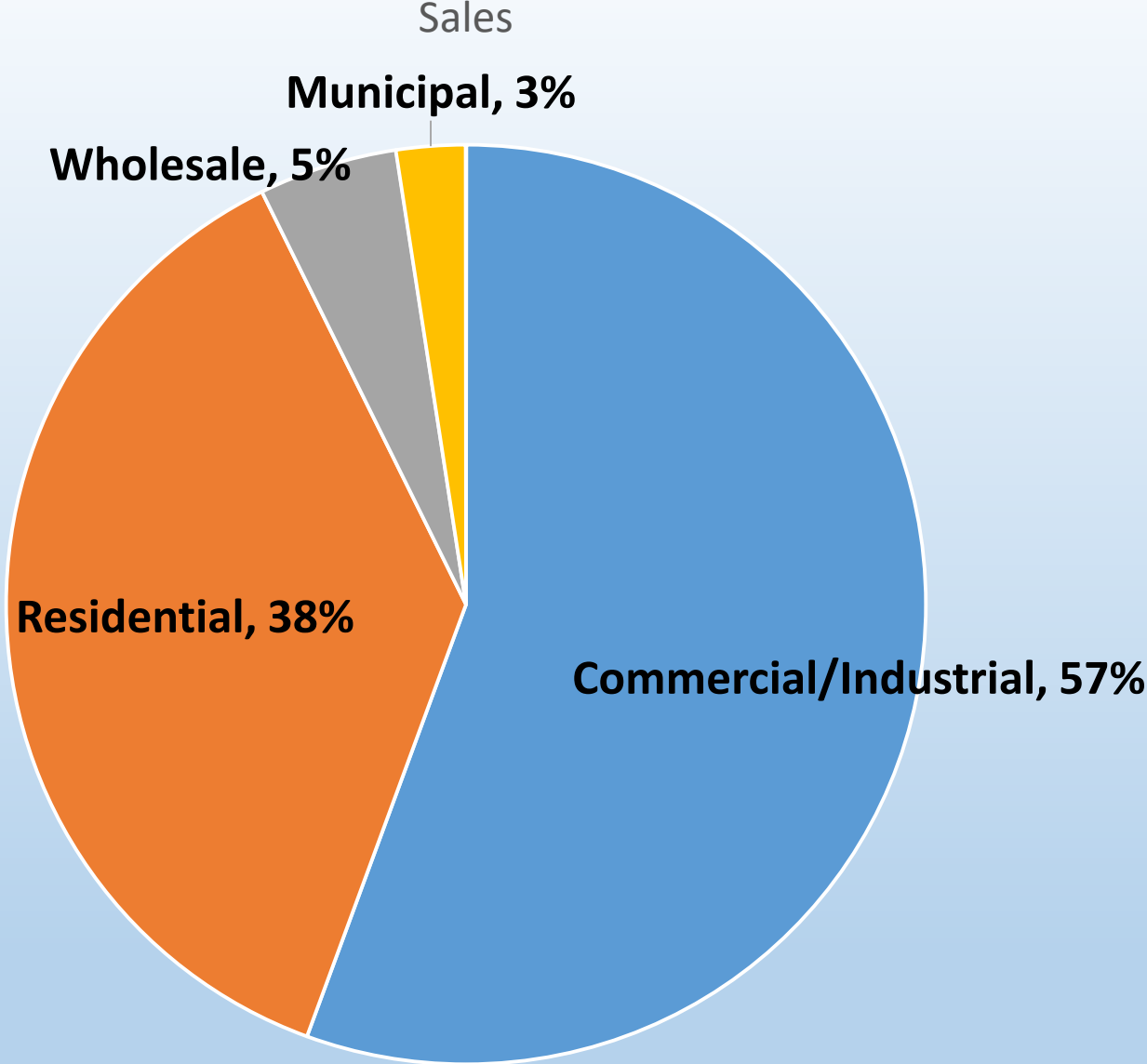
Degrees: Environmental Science, Asian Studies, Biology

2020 Daily Gallons Produced Portsmouth and Pease Drinking Water Systems



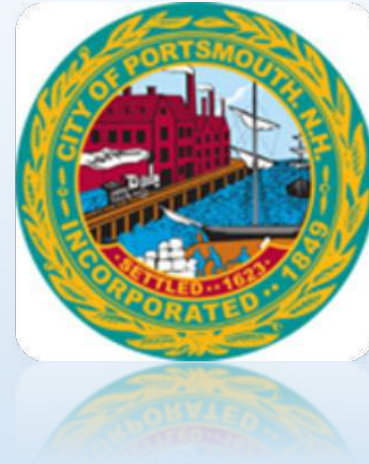
Average Day	3.7 Million Gallons
Maximum Day	6.1 Million Gallons
Minimum Day	2.2 Million Gallons

Customer Water Use:



Commercial/Industrial Residential Wholesale Municipal

Portsmouth's Integrated Water Supply Management Strategy:



1. Optimize Surface Water Supply
2. Rest Groundwater Sources for Seasonal and Peak Demands
3. Management and Upgrades of Infrastructure
 1. Asset Management and Capital Improvements
 1. Water main replacements
 2. Water treatment facility upgrades
 3. Well redevelopments
 2. Leak Detection Program
 3. Water Efficiency Program
4. Track Precipitation Trends (12-month rolling average)
5. Public Outreach Through Water Supply Updates
cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks/water/supply-status

Promoting Water Efficiency In Portsmouth's Water and Wastewater Systems

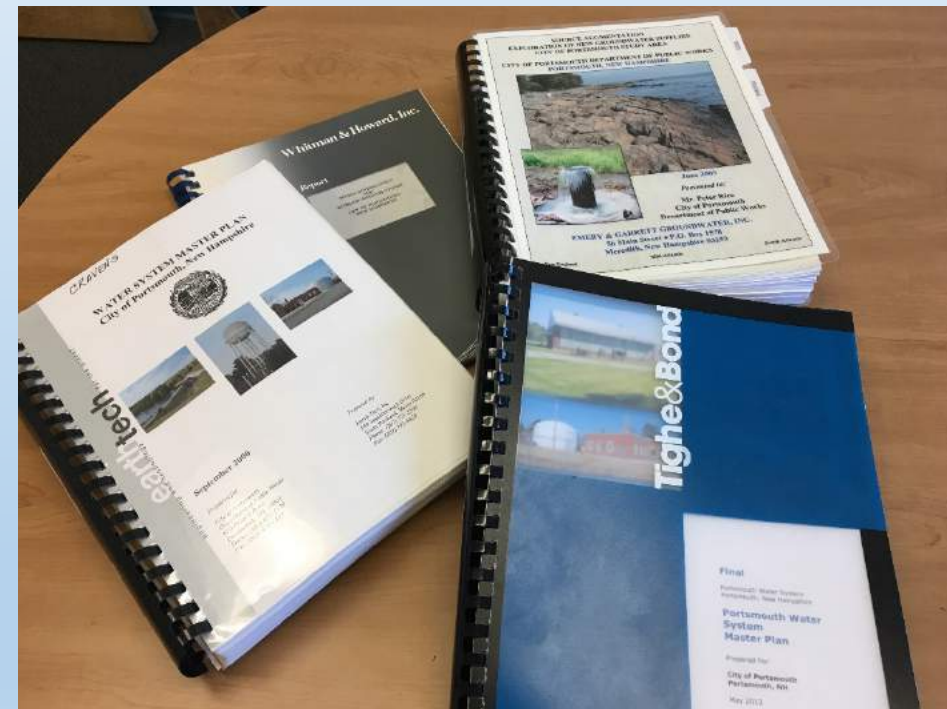


1. Water Conservation Kits (2006 to 2008)
2. Tiered Water Rates (starting FY07)
3. Rain Barrel Program (2009 to 2011)
4. Automatic Meter Reading Project (2008 to 2010)
5. EPA's WaterSense Program (joined in 2013)
6. Leak Detection Program (ongoing)
7. Water Efficiency Rebate Program (Introduced in 2014)
8. Water Supply Status Report (introduced in 2015)
9. Water Sustainability Award (2015)
10. WaterSense Irrigation Requirements and third tier irrigation rate (adopted in 2016)

Long-Term Planning

Water System Master Plans

- 1979 – Master Plan Study
- 1994 – Distribution System Storage and Pressure Study
- 2000 – Master Plan Study
- 2001 – Surface Water Treatment Study
- 2009 – Groundwater Supply Study
- 2013 – Master Plan Study



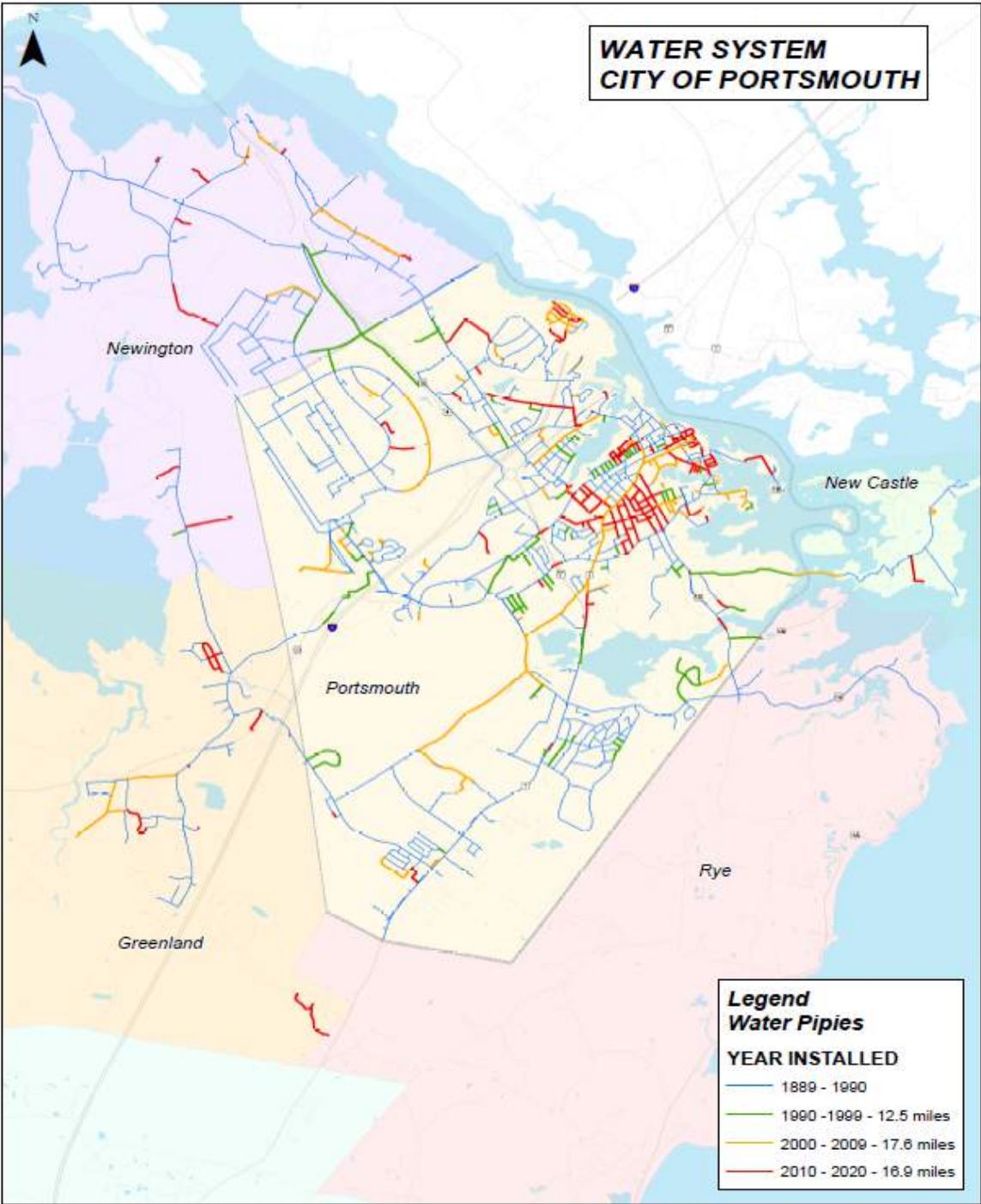
Capital Programs

Addressing Long-Term Supply Needs

- Pease Hobbs Hill Tank Replacement – Complete in 2016
- Greenland Well Upgrade – 2016/2017
- Pease Well Carbon Treatment System – 2016
 - (Air Force Reimbursement)
- Newington Booster Station Upgrade - 2016–2019
- Madbury Well Upgrades and Permitting New Madbury Well #5 – 2016-2021
- Madbury Backwash Tank and Clearwell Upgrade – 2020-2021
- Additional Groundwater Source of Supply Investigations – 2007 to Current
- Little Bay Transmission Main Replacement – 2021-2022

Water Pipe Improvements Since 1990

- 47 Miles of Pipe
- Approximately 24% of system



Updated: January 2021

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Source Water Protection

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New Hampshire

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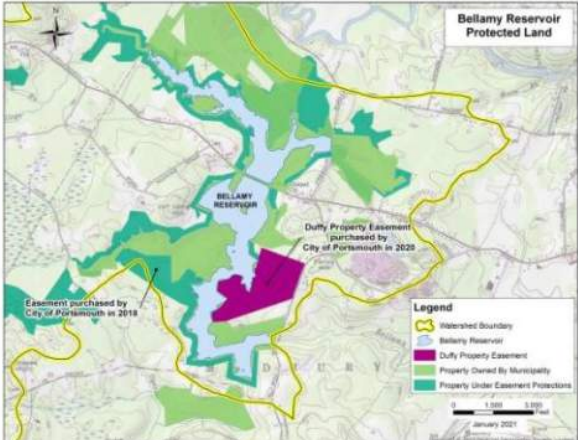
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PORTSMOUTH SECURES 107-ACRE CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO PROTECT BELLAMY RESERVOIR WATER SUPPLY

January 12, 2021

Taking another significant step in its effort to protect the City of Portsmouth's surface water supply by conserving lands surrounding the Bellamy Reservoir, the City's Department of Public Works Water Division has partnered with Southeast Land Trust (SELT) to purchase a conservation easement on approximately 107 acres owned by Mary Ellen Duffy, adjacent to the Reservoir. The transaction closed on December 29, 2020.

This acquisition complements the conservation easement



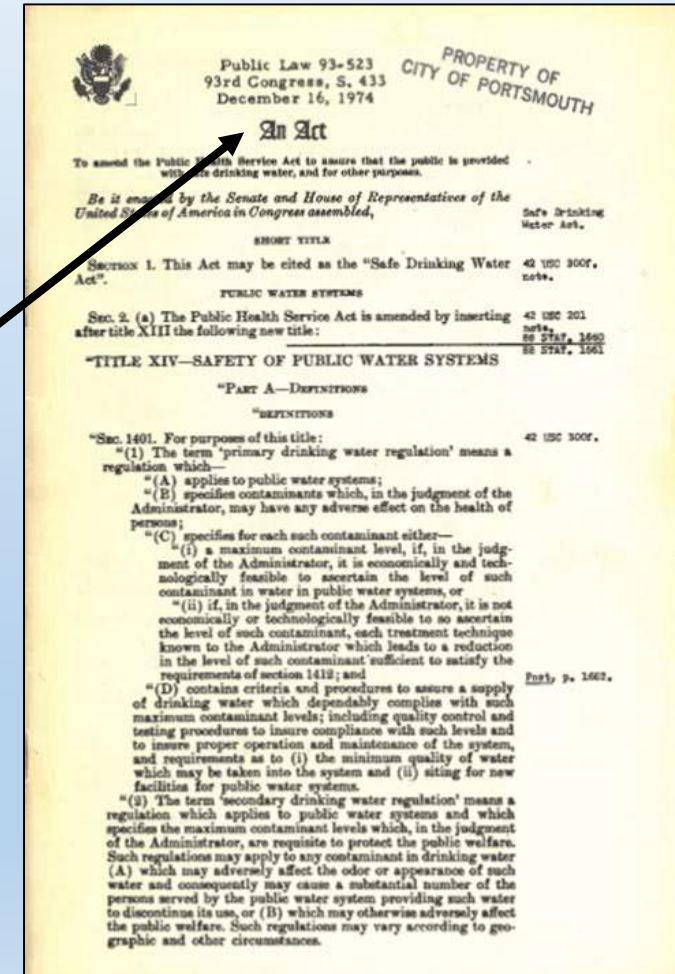
The map, titled "Bellamy Reservoir Protected Land", shows the watershed boundary in yellow. The Bellamy Reservoir is in the center. A purple area represents the "Duffy Property Easement purchased by City of Portsmouth in 2020". A green area represents "Property Owned By Municipality". A light green area represents "Property Under Easement Protection". A legend in the bottom right corner defines these symbols. The map also includes a north arrow, a scale bar (0 to 1,000 feet), and the date "January 2021".

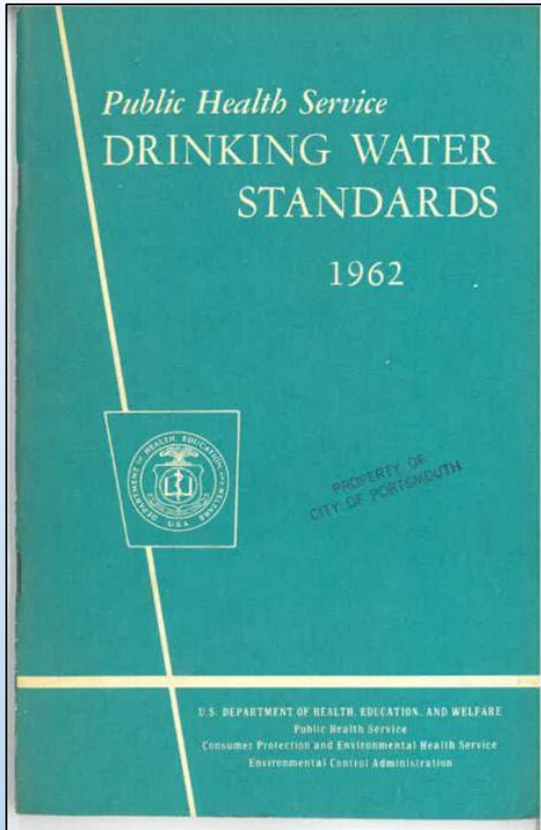
Water Quality Analysis and Regulations – Through the Years



Federal Drinking Water Quality Regulations

- 1914 - The first federal drinking water standards were established by the Public Health Service
- 1946 – Revisions to Standards
- 1962 – Revisions to Standards
- 1974 – Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)
- 1986 – SDWA Amendments
- 1996 – SDWA Amendments





5.21 The following chemical substances should not be present in a water supply in excess of the listed concentrations where, in the judgment of the Reporting Agency and the Certifying Authority, other more suitable supplies are or can be made available.

<i>Substance</i>	<i>Concentration in mg/l</i>
Alkyl Benzene Sulfonate (ABS)-----	0.5
Arsenic (As)-----	0.01
Chloride (Cl)-----	250.
Copper (Cu)-----	1.
Carbon Chloroform Extract (CCE)-----	0.2
Cyanide (CN)-----	0.01
Fluoride (F)-----	(See 5.23)
Iron (Fe)-----	0.3
Manganese (Mn)-----	0.05
Nitrate ¹ (No ₃)-----	45.
Phenols-----	0.001
Sulfate (SO ₄)-----	250.
Total Dissolved Solids-----	500.
Zinc (Zn)-----	5.

Arsenic (As)-----	0.05
Barium (Ba)-----	1.0
Cadmium (Cd)-----	0.01
Chromium (Hexavalent) (Cr ⁺⁶)-----	0.05
Cyanide (CN)-----	0.2
Fluoride (F)-----	(See 5.23)
Lead (Pb)-----	0.05
Selenium (Se)-----	0.01
Silver (Ag)-----	0.05

4.2 *Limits.*—Drinking water should contain no impurity which would cause offense to the sense of sight, taste, or smell. Under general use, the following limits should not be exceeded:

Turbidity-----	5 units
Color-----	15 units
Threshold Odor Number-----	3

1962:
Standards for
23 Compounds

Drinking Water Quality Regulations – Last 25 years:

- EPA Regulations since 1992:
 - Phase II and V rules for VOC, SOC, Inorganics (1991 and 1992)
 - Lead and Copper Rule (1992) – Currently under revision
 - Consumer Confidence Reports (1998)
 - Disinfection By-Product Rule (2002) – Currently under review
 - Arsenic (2001) – lowered standard from 0.50 ppb to 0.10 ppb
 - Groundwater Rule (2006)
 - Radionuclide Rule (pending)
- Emerging Contaminants:
 - MTBE
 - Viruses
 - Pharmaceuticals
 - 1,4 Dioxene
 - PFAS Compounds



Recent Rule Revisions

Arsenic

- EPA Drinking Water Limit (MCL): **10 µg/L** (est. 2001)

Arsenic Standard (NHDES):

- Effective Date: July 1 , 2021
- Enforceable Drinking Water Standard: **5 µg/L**

	Arsenic* (µg/L)
<i>Pending NHDES MCL:</i>	5
Madbury WTP	ND <1
Madbury Well 2	ND <1
Madbury Well 3	ND <1
Madbury Well 4	1.5
Portsmouth Well	ND <1
Collins Well	ND <1
Greenland Well	ND <1

*10 year averages

Manganese

- EPA Federal Advisory Limit: **0.3 mg/L** (est. 2004)
- NHDES toxicologist’s assessments indicates short-term exposure to elevated levels (0.1 - 0.3 mg/L) is a concern for infants (acute health concerns)

Proposed Manganese Standard (NHDES):

- Effective Date: July 1 , 2022
- Enforceable Drinking Water Standard: **0.3 mg/L**
- Public Notification Requirement: **> 0.1 mg/L**

	Manganese* (mg/L)
<i>Proposed NHDES MCL:</i>	0.3
<i>Proposed NHDES Notification:</i>	0.1
Madbury WTP	0.011
Madbury Well 2	0.006
Madbury Well 3	0.003
Madbury Well 4	0.037
Portsmouth Well	ND <0.001
Collins Well	0.050
Greenland Well	0.016

*10 year averages

The Purity Paradox

- Treatment standards under the Safe Drinking Water Act are geared solely for the cost-effective protection of public health.
- Yet these stringent and costly standards are used to treat the entire water supply even though only a very small proportion of that water supply is actually used for drinking water.
- A considerable amount of water supply treated to drinking water standards is used to do laundry, flush toilets, irrigate lawns, put out fires, and clean streets.

Portsmouth's Water Quality Monitoring and Compliance

- Reservoir Management



- Process Monitoring
 - Surface Water Treatment Plant
 - Groundwater Well Sources



- Compliance Monitoring



Water Quality Monitoring and Compliance

- Reservoir Management



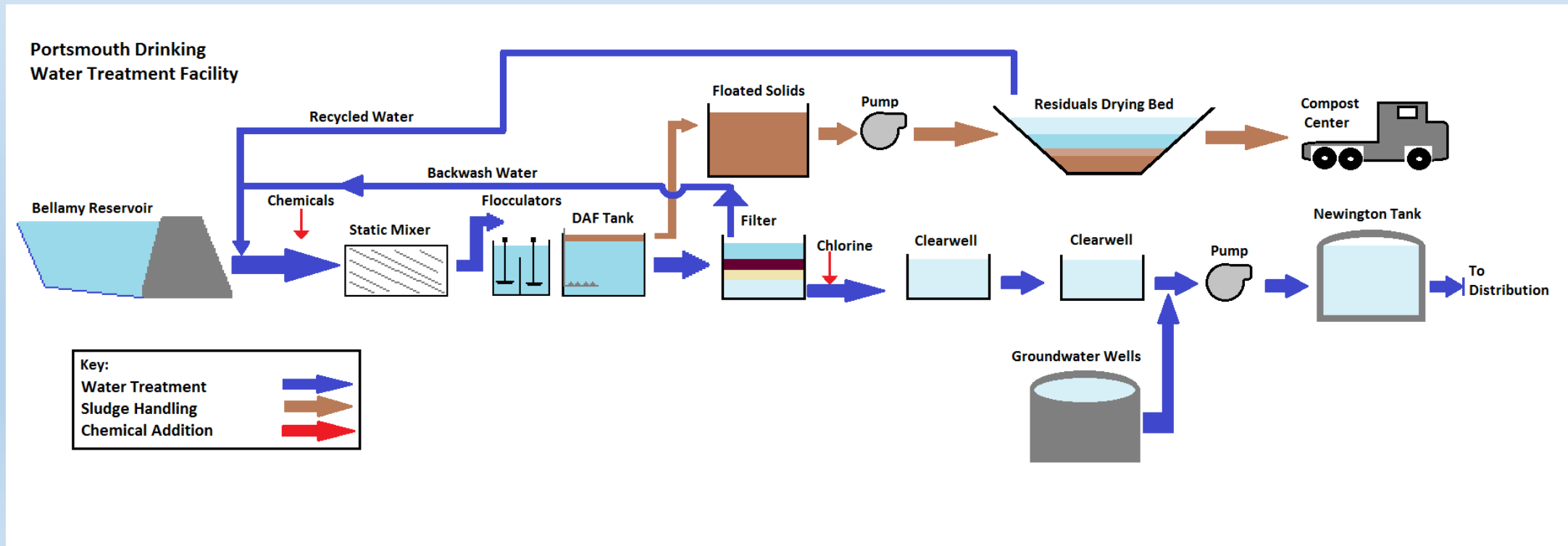
May - October Monitoring During Stratification

- In-Lake & Tributary Sampling
- Dissolved Oxygen & Temperature Profiles
- Iron & Manganese
- Color
- UV 254
- Chlorophyll-a
- Phycocyanin
- Phosphorus
- Flow Rates



Water Quality Monitoring and Compliance

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Surface Water Treatment Process Optimization

Continuous Online Monitoring

- pH
- Turbidity
- UV 254
- Streaming Current
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Temperature
- Free Chlorine

Routine Operator Laboratory Tests

- Alkalinity
- Iron
- Manganese
- Aluminum
- Color
- pH
- Turbidity
- UV 254
- Orthophosphate
- Fluoride
- Free Chlorine
- Total Organic Carbon
- Total Coliform
- E. Coli

Water Quality Monitoring and Compliance

- Process Monitoring
 - Surface Water Treatment Plant
 - Groundwater Well Sources



Chemicals Added

Sodium Hypochlorite (*Disinfection*)
Sodium Hydroxide (*Corrosion Control*)
Phosphate (*Corrosion Control*)
Fluoride (*Dental Health*)

Treated Water Continuous Monitoring

Surface Water Treatment Plant

- Turbidity
- Free Chlorine
- Fluoride
- Phosphate
- pH
- Temperature

Groundwater Well Sources

- Free Chlorine
- Fluoride

Water Quality Monitoring and Compliance

- Compliance Monitoring



1. Bacteria (Total Coliform & E. coli)
2. Inorganic Contaminants (IOCs)
3. Volatile Organic Contaminants (VOCs)
4. Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs)
5. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)
6. Radionuclides
7. Disinfection Byproducts (DBPs)
8. Lead and Copper
9. Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR)
10. Long-Term Surface Water Treatment Rules

Portsmouth Water Collects Samples

Accredited Laboratories

Results to NHDES / OneStop Data Portal:
<https://www4.des.state.nh.us/DESONestop/>

1. Microbiological Monitoring

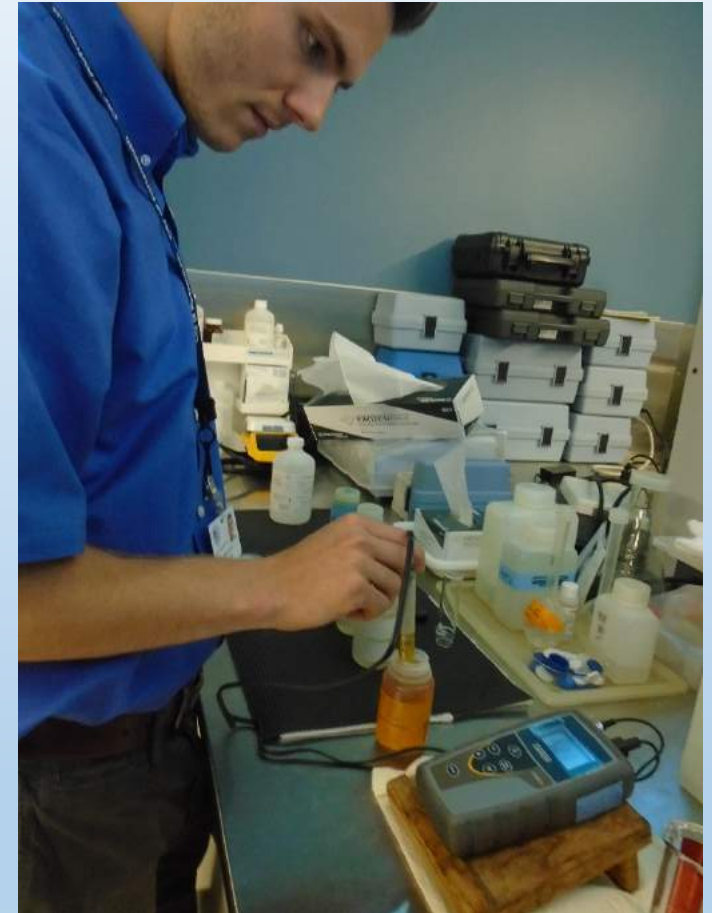
- Rule: Total Coliform Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 702 & 709
- Sample Locations: 15 Sample Sites throughout Water System
- Frequency: Sampled Twice Per Month

Total Coliform (TC presence/absence test)

- E.coli test if TC is present

Residual Chlorine

Specific Conductivity



2. Inorganic Contaminants (IOCs)

- Rule: EPA Chemical Contaminant Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 704 & 711
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources (WTP Finished Water & Groundwater Supply Wells)
- Frequency: Treated Surface Water: Annually
Groundwater: Triennially (1x/3 years)

Primary Standard

Antimony	Fluoride
Arsenic	Lead
Asbestos	Mercury
Barium	Nickel
Beryllium	Nitrate
Cadmium	Nitrite
Chromium	Selenium
Copper	Thallium
Cyanide	

Secondary Standard

Iron
Sodium
Manganese
Zinc
Chloride
Sulfate

3. Volatile Organic Contaminants (VOCs)

- Rule: EPA Chemical Contaminant Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 705 & 712
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources (WTP Finished Water & Groundwater Supply Wells)
- Frequency: Annually

<u>Regulated VOCs</u>		
Benzene	Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene	Toluene
Carbon tetrachloride	Dichloromethane	1,2,4-trichlorobenzene
Chlorobenzene	1,2-dichloropropane	1,1,1-trichloroethane
o-dichlorobenzene	Ethylbenzene	1,1,2-trichloroethane
p-dichlorobenzene	Methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE)	Trichloroethylene
1,2-dichloroethane	Styrene	Vinyl chloride
1,1-dichloroethylene	Tetrachloroethylene	Xylenes
cis-1,2-dichloroethylene		

Volatile Organic Contaminants (VOCs)

EPA Method 524.3 Analytes

1,1,1,2-tetrachloroethane	benzene	ethylbenzene
1,1,1-trichloroethane	bromobenzene	hexachlorobutadiene
1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane	bromochloromethane	hexachloroethane
1,1,2-trichloroethane	bromodichloromethane	isopropylbenzene
1,1-dichloroethane	bromoform	methyl acetate
1,1-dichloroethene	bromomethane	methyl iodide
1,1-dichloropropene	carbon disulfide	methylene chloride
1,2,3-trichlorobenzene	carbon tetrachloride	methyl-t-butyl ether (MtBE)
1,2,3-trichloropropane	chlorobenzene	m-xylene
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	chlorodifluoromethane	naphthalene
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	chloroform	n-butylbenzene
1,2-dichlorobenzene	chloromethane	n-propylbenzene
1,2-dichloroethane	cis-1,2-dichloroethene	o-xylene
1,2-dichloropropane	cis-1,3-dichloropropane	pentachloroethane
1,3-dichlorobenzene	dibromochloromethane	p-xylene
1,3-dichloropropane	dibromomethane	sec-butylbenzene
1,4-dichlorobenzene	dichlorodifluoromethane	styrene
2-chlorotoluene	diethyl ether	t-amyl ethyl ether (TAE)
4-chlorotoluene	diisopropyl ether (DIPE)	t-amyl methyl ether (TAME)
4-isopropyltoluene	ethyl methacrylate	t-butyl alcohol (TBA)

4. Synthetic Organic Contaminants (SOCs)

- Rule: EPA Chemical Contaminant Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 705 & 712
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources (WTP Finished Water & Groundwater Supply Wells)
- Frequency: Annually

<u>Regulated SOCs</u>		
Alachlor (Lasso)	Di(ethylhexyl)-adipate	Hexachlorobenzene
Aldicarb (Temik)	Di(ethylhexyl)-phthalate	Hexachlorocyclo-pentadiene
Aldicarb sulfoxide	Dinoseb	Lindane
Alicarb sulfone (aldoxycarb)	Dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD)	Methoxychlor
Atrazine	Diquat	Oxamyl
Benzo(a)pyrene (PAH)	Endothall	Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)
Carbofuran	Endrin	Pentachlorophenol
Chlordane	Ethylene dibromide (EDB)	Picloram
2,4-D	Glyphosate	Simazine
Dalapon	Heptachlor	Toxaphene
1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane (DBCP)	Heptachlor epoxide	2,4,5-TP (Silvex)

5. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

- Rule: NHDES Env-Dw 705 & 712
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources (WTP Finished Water & Groundwater Supply Wells)
- Frequency: Quarterly

Regulated MCLs in NH

Perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS)

Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)

Perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS)

Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)

Additional Substances Analyzed (Method 533)

- Perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA)
- Perfluoropentanoic Acid (PFPeA)
- Perfluorohexanoic Acid (PFHxA)
- Perfluoroheptanoic Acid (PFHpA)
- Perfluorodecanoic Acid (PFDA)
- Perfluoroundecanoic Acid (PFUnA)
- Perfluorododecanoic Acid (PFDoA)
- Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)
- Perfluoropentanesulfonic acid (PFPeS)
- Perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid (PFHpS)
- 4:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid
- 6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid
- 8:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonic acid
- 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoro-2-[heptafluoropropoxy] -propanoic acid (HFPO-DA)
- 4,8-dioxa-3h-perfluorononanoic acid (ADONA)
- 11-chloroeicosafluoro-3-oxaundecane-1-sulfonic acid
- 9-chlorohexadecafluoro-3-oxanone-1-sulfonic acid
- Nonafluoro-3,6-dioxaheptanoic acid (NFDHA)
- Perfluoro (2-ethoxyethane) sulfonic acid (PFEESA)
- Perfluoro-4-methoxybutanoic acid (PFMBA)
- Perfluoro-3-methoxypropanoic acid (PFMPA)

Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) - New Hampshire Regulated Compounds

Portsmouth Water Supply Sources
Quarter 4 2020 – Annual Rolling Average PFAS

ROLLING AVERAGE 2020 Q4		NH MCL	RAW	MADBURY WTP FINISHED	MADBURY WELL 2	MADBURY WELL 3	MADBURY WELL 4	PORTSMOUTH WELL	COLLINS WELL	GREENLAND WELL
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid(PFHxS)	ng/L	18	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	6	1	1
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	ng/L	15	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	3	2	1
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	ng/L	12	1	2	1	2	2	4	3	3
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ng/L	11	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

ND = Not-Detected Above Reporting Limit

All Sources of Supply have been sampled periodically for PFAS since May 2014

6. Radionuclides

- Rule: EPA Radionuclides Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 704 & 710
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources (WTP Finished Water & Groundwater Supply Wells)
- Frequency: Gross Alpha and Uranium every 9 years; Radium 226+228 every 6 years.

Regulated Contaminants

- Combined Radium 226 + 228
- Compliance Gross Alpha
- Uranium

	Radium 226/228 (PCI/L)	Compliance Gross Alpha (PCI/L)	Uranium (µg/L)
<i>Drinking Water MCL:</i>	5	15	30
Madbury WTP	2	ND	ND
Madbury Well 2	ND	1	ND
Madbury Well 3	ND	ND	ND
Madbury Well 4	ND	1	ND
Portsmouth Well	ND	1	1.6
Collins Well	ND	1	1.1
Greenland Well	2	ND	ND

7. Disinfection Byproducts (DBP)

- Rule: EPA Stage 1 & Stage 2 Disinfection and Disinfection Byproducts Rule and NHDES Env- Dw 705 & 715
- Sample Locations: Four Locations in Portsmouth Distribution System
- Frequency: Quarterly

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)

Chloroform
Bromodichloromethane
Dibromochloromethane
Bromoform

Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)

Monochloroacetic acid
Dichloroacetic acid
Trichloroacetic acid
Bromoacetic acid
Dibromoacetic acid

7. Disinfection Byproducts (DBP)

- **Total Organic Carbon + Chlorine = DBPs**

Violation: TTHM > 80 ppb in New Castle Water System 2016 - 2018

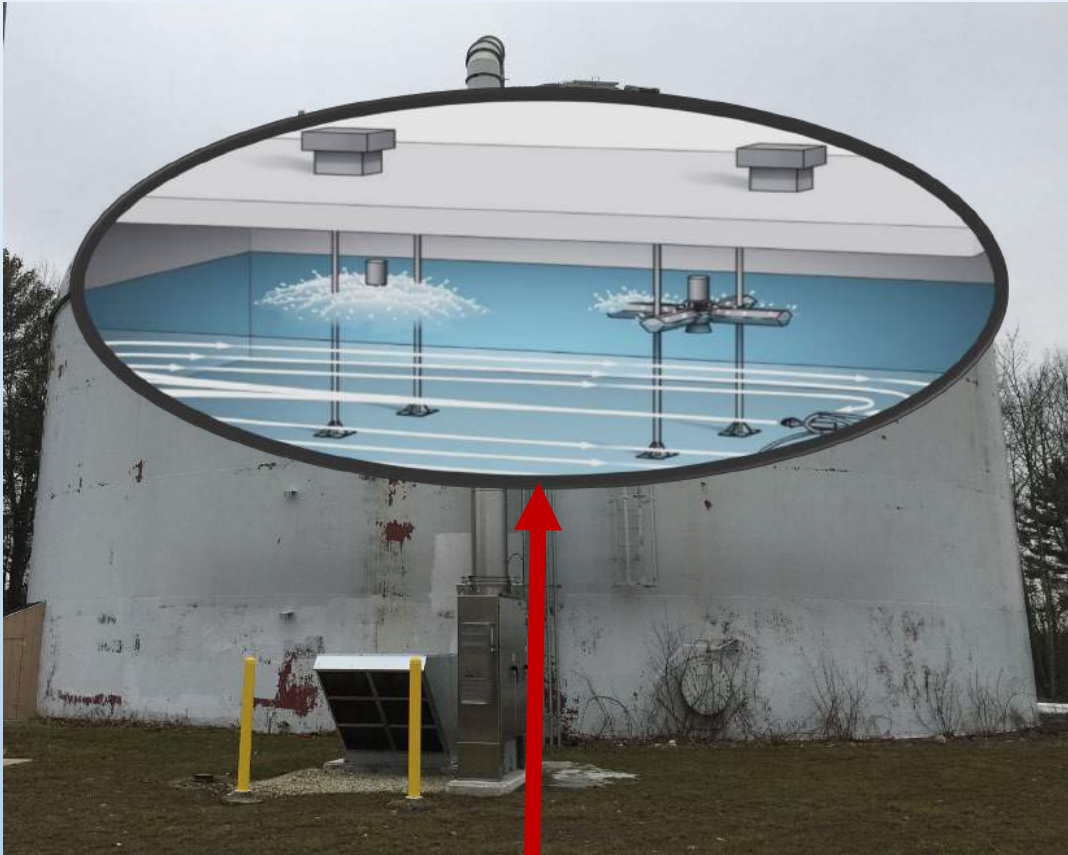
Reasons:

- New Castle is most distant from Madbury WTP and TTHM formation increases over time
- New Castle had old water mains (bio-film organics)

Solutions:

- New Castle replaced water main through town (2020)
- Newington Booster Pumping Station Upgrade (2019)
 - Reroute flow through tank
 - Installed aeration
 - Installed tank mixer
- Madbury Treatment Plant Process Optimization (2018)
 - TOC removal improved from 63% to 70% average (50% required by EPA Rule)

Newington Booster Station Upgrade and Aeration System



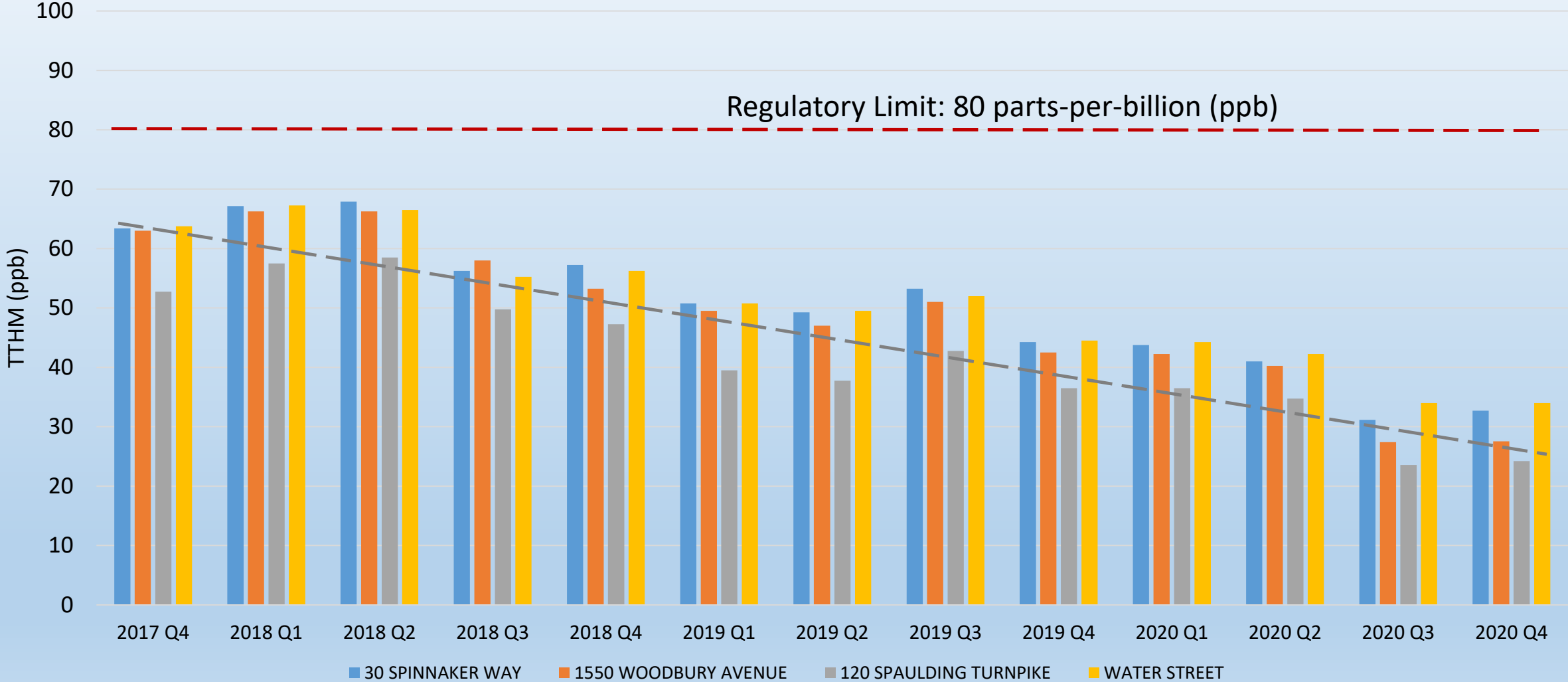
- **Aeration system for Total Trihalomethane (TTHM) Treatment**



- Building Upgrades
- New Booster Pumps and Motor Controls

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)

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8. Lead and Copper

- Rule: EPA Lead and Copper Rule and NHDES Env-Dw 714

Note: Revised EPA Lead and Copper Rule Adopted December 2020

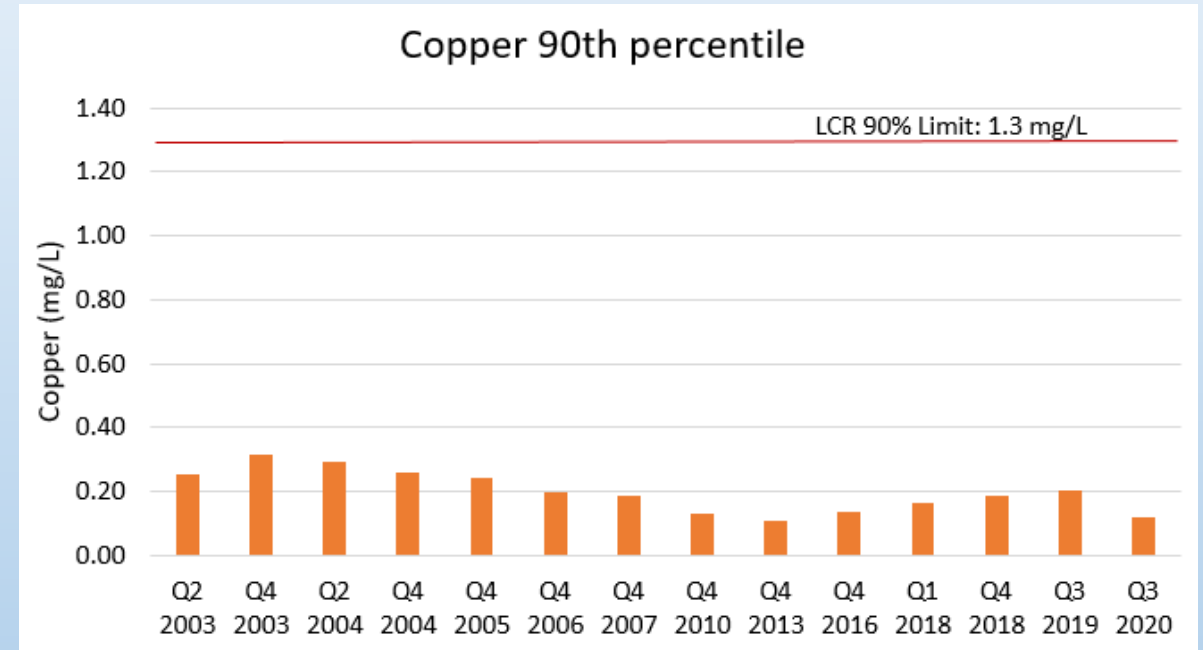
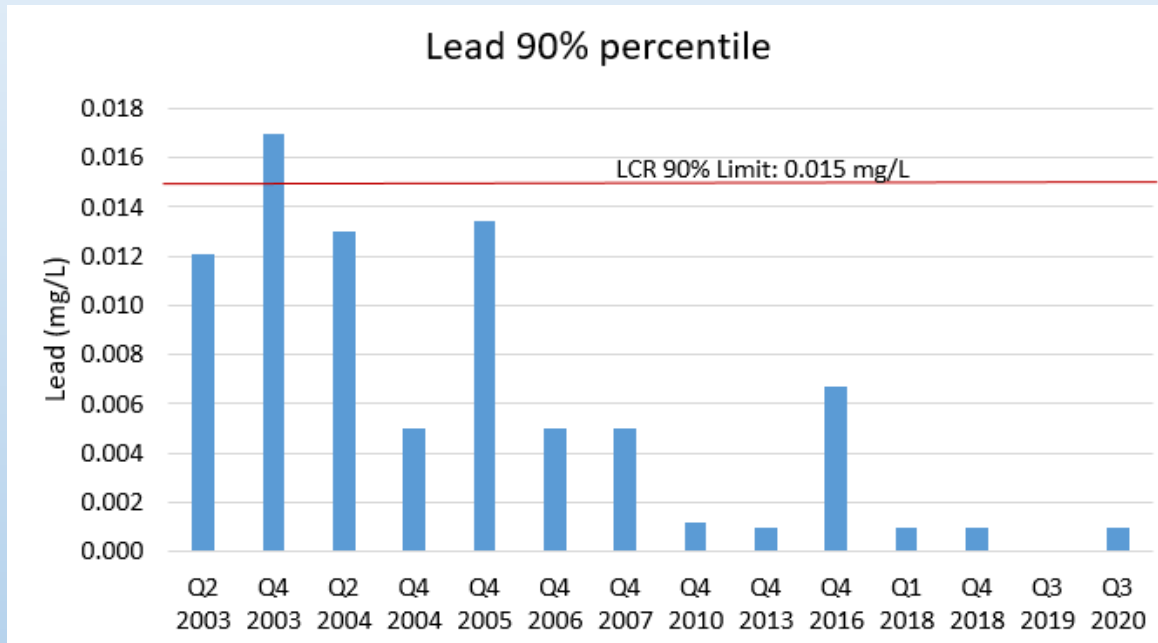
- Sample Locations: Currently 122 Sample Sites -Customer Taps Throughout Distribution System
- Frequency: 30 Sites Tested Annually

Corrosion Control Monitoring

- Sample Locations: Seven Distribution System Sites and Eight Source Sites
- Frequency: Quarterly
- Parameters:
 - Conductivity
 - pH
 - Alkalinity
 - Hardness
 - Orthophosphate
 - Chloride
 - Free Chlorine
 - Iron
 - Manganese

Lead and Copper

Portsmouth Water System



9. Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule

- Rule: EPA Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR)
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources
- Frequency: Every 5 years

UCMR 1 (2001 – 2003)

2,4-dinitrotoluene
2,6-dinitrotoluene
Acetochlor
DCPA mono-acid degradate
DCPA di-acid degradate
4,4'-DDE
EPTC
Molinate
MTBE
Nitrobenzene
Perchlorate
Terbacil

UCMR 2 (2007 – 2011)

Dimethoate
Terbufos sulfone
2,2',4,4'-tetrabromodiphenyl ether (BDE-47)
2,2',4,4',5-pentabromodiphenyl ether (BDE-99)
2,2',4,4',5,5'-hexabromobiphenyl (HBB)
2,2',4,4',5,5'-hexabromodiphenyl ether (BDE-153)
2,2',4,4',6-pentabromodiphenyl ether (BDE-100)
1,3-dinitrobenzene
2,4,6-trinitrotoluene (TNT)
Hexahydro-1,3,5-trinitro-1,3,5-triazine (RDX)

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule

- Rule: EPA Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources and Distribution System

UCMR 3 (2012 – 2016)

1,2,3-trichloropropane	Strontium
1,3-butadiene	Chromium
Chloromethane (methyl chloride)	Chromium-6
1,1-dichloroethane	Chlorate
Bromomethane (methyl bromide)	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)
Chlorodifluoromethane (HCFC-22)	Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
Bromochloromethane (halon 1011)	Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)
1,4-dioxane	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)
Vanadium	Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)
Molybdenum	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)
Cobalt	

UCMR 3 Results

	Strontium <i>µg/L</i>	Chromium <i>µg/L</i>	Chromium 6 <i>µg/L</i>	Chlorate <i>µg/L</i>
Madbury Sources	46	0.18	0.02	63
Portsmouth Well	380	0.64	0.46	88
Collins Well	255	0.38	0.17	140
Greenland Well	163	0.52	0.38	< 20

Values are average concentrations in samples collected between July 2014 and April 2015

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule

- Rule: EPA Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources and Distribution System

UCMR 4 (2017 – 2021)

total microcystin	ethoprop
microcystin-LA	oxyfluorfen
microcystin-LF	profenofos
microcystin-LR	tebuconazole
microcystin-LY	total permethrin (cis- & trans-)
microcystin-RR	tribufos
microcystin-YR	HAA5
nodularin	HAA6Br
anatoxin-a	HAA9
cylindrospermopsin	1-butanol
germanium	2-methoxyethanol
manganese	2-propen-1-ol
alpha-hexachlorocyclohexane	butylated hydroxyanisole
chlorpyrifos	o-toluidine
dimethipin	quinolone

UCMR 4 Results

Sample Site	HAA5 <i>µg/L</i>	HAA6Br <i>µg/L</i>	HAA9 <i>µg/L</i>
120 Spaulding Turnpike	21	3	24
1550 Woodbury Plaza	34	6	40
30 Spinnaker Way	37	6	43
Water Street	37	6	43

	Manganese <i>mg/L</i>
Madbury Sources	0.061
Portsmouth Well	0.003
Collins Well	0.021
Greenland Well	0.003

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule

- Rule: EPA Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule
- Sample Locations: Supply Sources
- Frequency: Every 5 years

UCMR 5 (2022 – 2026)

- 11-chloroeicosafluoro-3-oxaundecane-1-sulfonic acid (11Cl-PF3OUdS)
- 9-chlorohexadecafluoro-3-oxanonane-1-sulfonic acid (9Cl-PF3ONS)
- 4,8-dioxa-3H-perfluorononanoic acid (ADONA)
- hexafluoropropylene oxide dimer acid (HFPO-DA)
- nonafluoro-3,6-dioxaheptanoic acid (NFDHA)
- perfluorobutanoic acid (PFBA)
- perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)
- 1H,1H, 2H, 2H-perfluorodecane sulfonic acid (8:2FTS)
- perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA)
- perfluorododecanoic acid (PFDoA)
- perfluoro(2-ethoxyethane)sulfonic acid (PFEEESA)
- perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid (PFHpS)
- perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)
- 1H,1H, 2H, 2H-perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (4:2FTS)
- perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)
- perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)
- perfluoro-3-methoxypropanoic acid (PFMPA)
- perfluoro-4-methoxybutanoic acid (PFMBA)
- perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)
- 1H,1H, 2H, 2H-perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (6:2FTS)
- perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)
- perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
- perfluoropentanoic acid (PFPeA)
- perfluoropentanesulfonic acid (PFPeS)
- Perfluoroundecanoic acid (PFUnA)
- N-ethyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid (NEtFOSAA)
- N-methyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid (NMeFOSAA)
- perfluorotetradecanoic acid (PFTA)
- perfluorotridecanoic acid (PFTrDA)
- Lithium

10. Long Term Surface Water Treatment Rules

- 1989 – Surface Water Treatment Rule
- 1998 – Interim Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule
- 2001 – Filter Backwash Recycling Rule
- 2002 – Long Term 1 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule
- 2006 – Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule (LT2ESWTR)

LT2ESWTR

- Sample Locations: Surface Water Supply Source (Bellamy Reservoir)
- Test Duration: Two year monthly testing for Cryptosporidium (2016-2018)
- Purpose: Determine if additional treatment is required to protect public from risk of exposure to Cryptosporidium.
- Results: No Cryptosporidium were detected in source water (untreated)

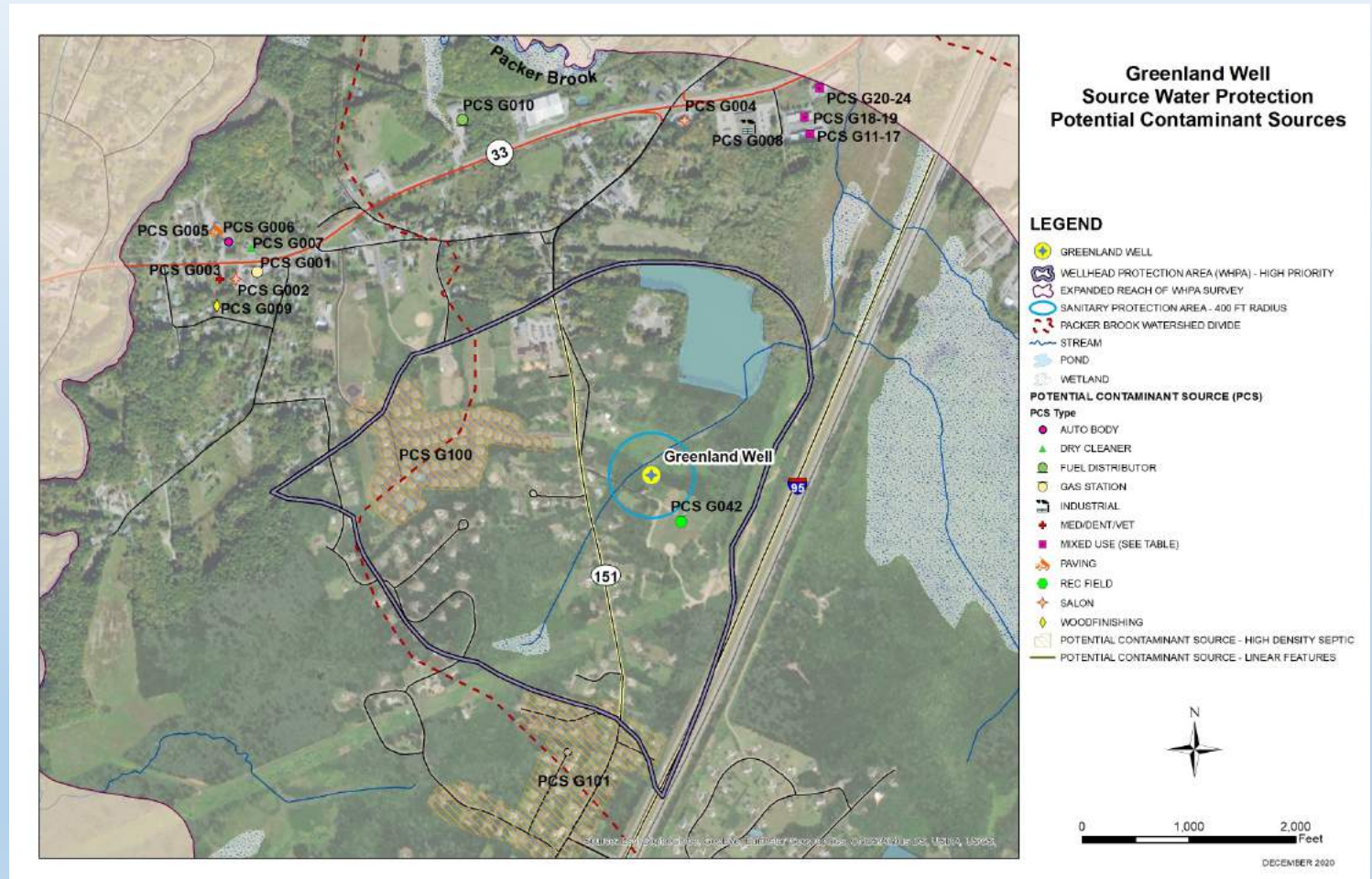
Recent Contaminants of Concern for Public Drinking Water and Portsmouth Water Division's Assessment of Concerns Related to Our Supplies

Portsmouth Water's Concerns

Contaminant	Source	Low	Medium	High
PFAS	Fire Fighting Foam, Consumer Products			X
Lead	Old plumbing with lead content in pipes/fixtures		X	
Chloride	Roadway winter salting		X	
Phosphorus	Fertilizers, septic systems		X	
Cyanobacteria/algae	Warming waters		X	
Legionella	Large building plumbing		X	
TTHMs	Disinfection Byproducts		X	
HAA5s	Disinfection Byproducts		X	
1, 4 Dioxane	Consumer Products	X		
Arsenic	Naturally occurring in bedrock	X		
Fluoride	Added to Portsmouth water	X		
Manganese	Naturally occurring	X		

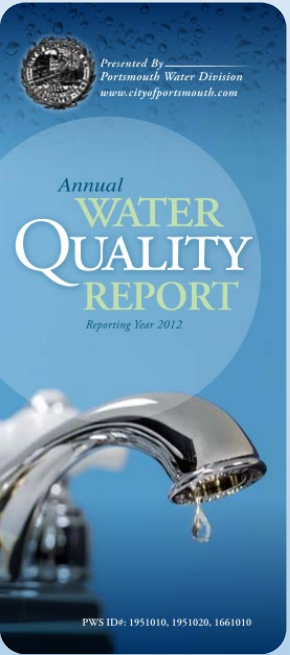
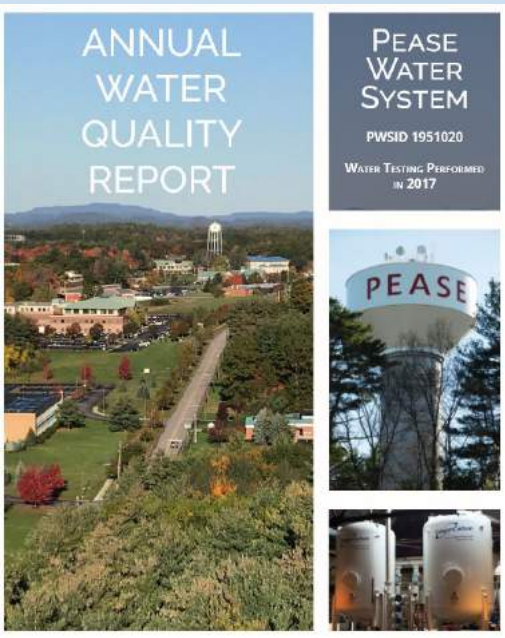
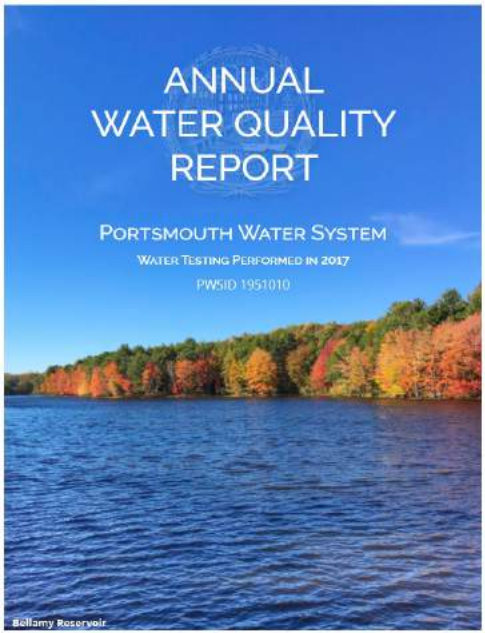
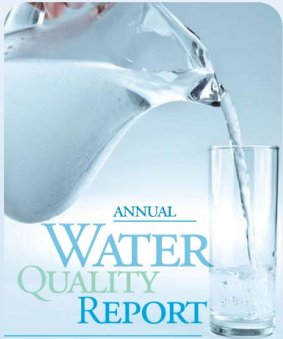
Potential Contaminant Sources

- Known PFAS sites:
 - Former Pease Air Base
- Landfills
 - Tolend, Coakley
- Septic Systems (Unsewered Areas)
- Agricultural / Recreation Fields
- Roads (Salt & Accidents)
- Vehicle Washing Facilities
- Categorical Industrial Facilities
- Hazardous Waste Facilities (RCRA)
- Gas Stations
- Fuel Storage Facilities
- Dry Cleaners
- Vehicle Repair/Detailing/Body Shops
- Medical / Dental / Veterinary Facilities
- Salons

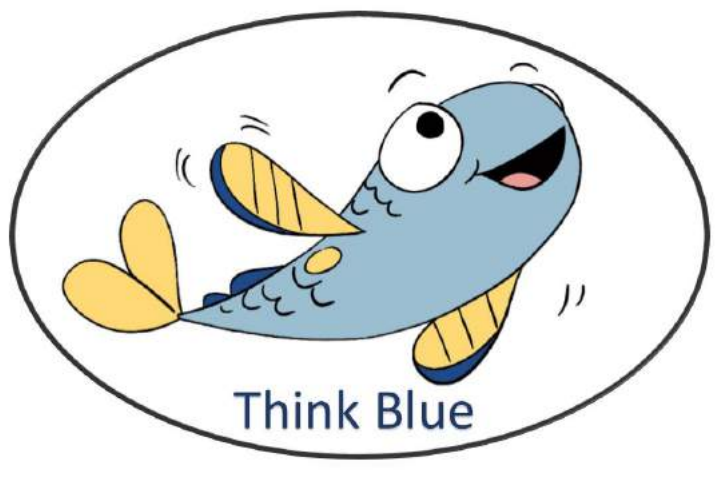


Annual Water Quality Reporting

- Provided annually to all customers of the Portsmouth and Pease water systems through the Portsmouth Water Division's Annual Water Quality Report



Outreach



City of Portsmouth

Water Quality in Commercial Buildings

Public water systems are responsible for the delivery of water to customers' private water lines or facilities. However, once that water enters a private facility, it is the owner's responsibility to assure that water quality is maintained throughout their pipes and plumbing. It is important that you and your facility managers are aware of all of your internal plumbing in order to assess whether not conditions exist that may degrade water quality.

The City of Portsmouth's public drinking water system serves over 8,500 regional water customers in the New Hampshire Seacoast. Water operations staff take great measures to ensure that the drinking water delivered is of ample quantity that all current drinking water regulatory standards. Water quality information is summarized annually in our water quality report sent to all customers and posted on the City's website. System maintenance includes twice-a-year flushing of fire hydrants to clear any buildup or debris in the water lines. The Public Health Department provides Environmental Health Services to inspect and clear any building or debris in the water lines. The Inspection Department is responsible for the review and mechanical specifications.

Degraded water quality, including bacteria like Legionella in plumbing that is not properly maintained. Lead in water when water comes in contact with pipes and plumbing that contain lead. Lead sources and lead levels vary by building, so it is important to identify and remove any lead in your building. Bacteria can grow in warm, stagnant water. Dead-end water lines and other plumbing fixtures that are not properly flushed and maintained may cause this growth. Cooling towers must also be properly maintained. A good management resource for plumbing is found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/legionella/>

Make sure that your plumbing is up to code. The City has adopted the 2009 International Plumbing Code. If your facility has whirlpools, hot tubs, or other fixtures, they should take additional measures to be maintained and operated.

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January 26, 2021

Portsmouth & Pease International Tradeport Water Supply Status Report 2020 Year in Review

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WA LEAD & COPPER CORROSION CONTROL PROGRAM UPDATE
October 19, 2020

PROTECT YOUR TAP: 10-minute lead test The U.S. EPA and NHDES created the Protect Your Tap: 10-minute lead test.

Protecting Your Pipes this Winter

Winter in New England can be very cold for an extended period of time and can result in water customer freeze-ups. The City of Portsmouth's water and sewer billing department is providing this information to prepare our customers for cold weather's impacts:

The City is responsible for water services from the water main to the customer's shut-off valve, which is usually at the property line. The customer is responsible for the water line from the shut-off valve into the building.

The customer is also responsible for assuring that the water meter is protected from freezing and from any type of damage from the snow.

Side spigots can start leaking when it gets very cold. Check them often when it is cold to make sure they are not starting to leak. **The City will not be responsible for freezing or refunds for spigots on your rooftop this year, so please take measures to protect your outside spigots.**

Customers who have installed new high-efficiency furnaces have discovered that basements that used to get some area heat from a boiler heater are no longer heated. Please check these areas to make sure you don't cause freeze-up problems.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact: Portsmouth Water/Sewer Billing Department, Finance Department, 100 Water Street, Portsmouth, NH, 03801, Phone: (603) 610-7248

www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks/water/information

Quick Tips to Prevent Water Line Freeze-ups:

- Insulate pipes in unheated areas.
- Open kitchen and bathroom cupboard doors to allow more heat to reach pipes in very cold weather.
- Wrap outside faucets with insulation and make sure they are shut tight. If possible drain and shut off the water supply to the outside spigot.
- Fiberglass or molded foam-insulating covers are also good ways to protect outside faucets.
- Shut off and drain any pipes that won't be used for extended periods.
- Make sure you know where your water line shut-off valve is located and test it at least once a year to make sure that it works.
- Run faucets at a slow drip if they are in an unheated area and it is very cold out.

PFAS Outreach



**City of
Portsmouth**
Department of Public Works

November 10, 2020
PEASE TRADEPORT WATER SUPPLY UPDATE



Construction of New Drinking Water Treatment Facility Upgrade – October 2020


Construction of the final treatment system, which includes both resin and activated carbon filtration systems, began in April 2019. Recent work includes the installation of new Activated Carbon (GAC) vessels and delivery of the IOX Resin Filter vessels. Work installing new piping, pumps and controls is underway.



New Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) Filters



IOX Resin Filter Vessels



**City of
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Department of Public Works

November 30, 2020
PORTSMOUTH WATER PFAS UPDATE

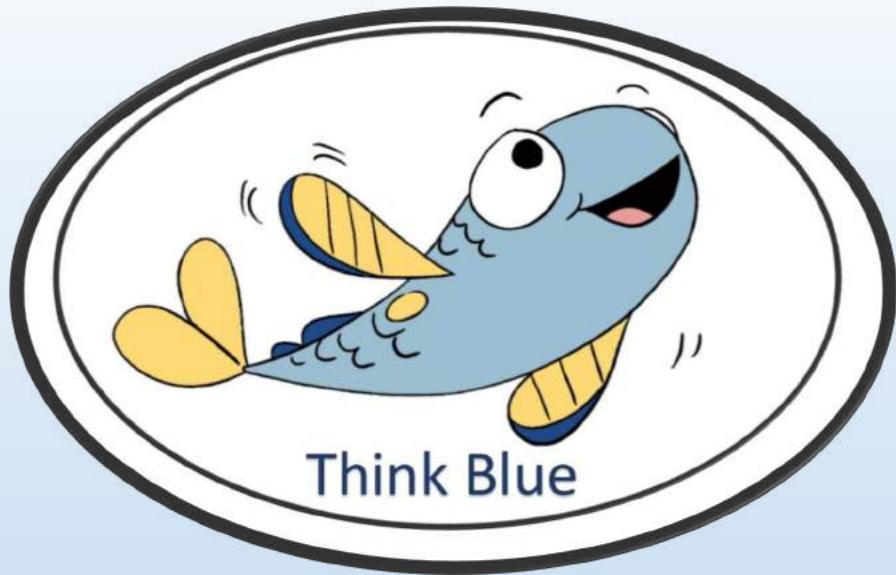
The City of Portsmouth's water system is testing for PFAS in all of our sources of supply quarterly in accordance with the NH drinking water quality rule for PFAS which was recently signed into law. This regulates drinking water testing, Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs), and compliance for four PFAS compounds: PFOA, PFOS, PFHxS and PFNA.

The following table provides a summary of the most recent Portsmouth water system testing results performed October 30, 2020.

Additional results from samples collected since 2014 are accessible on <https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks/water/portsmouth-water-system-pfas-update>

Currently all of Portsmouth Water's sources are in compliance with the New Hampshire MCLs.
PFAS Results from October 30, 2020 Samples (533 – EPA Approved Method)

Sample Point	PFHxS	PFNA	PFOS	PFOA
NH MCL in Parts per Trillion (PPT)	18	11	15	12
Madbury Water Treatment	0.4	0.5	1.1	2.6
Madbury Well 2	0.7	ND	1.4	2.3
Madbury Well 3	0.9	ND	1.4	2.7
Madbury Well 4	0.6	ND	1.2	3.6
Collins Well	2.7	ND	4.2	3.2
Greenland Well	2.5	ND	4.4	3.8
Portsmouth Well	8.0	0.6	4.8	5.1



Thank You

