#### 12.0 BUILDING M0086: WATSON LAKE RCMP RESIDENCE

# **12.1 Description of Existing Water system**

Building M0086, a Watson Lake RCMP Residence at 111 Stubenburg, is supplied water from a 14.3 m deep well. The well is located in a concrete enclosure adjacent to the basement. At the time of inspection the well was open. The well location and other site details are provided on Figure M0086-A in Appendix A12. The coordinates of the wellhead measured by a GPS device were:

• UTM ZONE 9

• Northing: 6657739

• Easting: 518261

There is no treatment present on the water system from this well and it serves the M0086 RCMP Residence only. A schematic detailing the water system is provided as Figure M0086-B in Appendix A12.

# 12.2 Description of Existing Wastewater Systems

There is a communal in ground septic disposal system that is used for this residence as well as the M0087 and M0088 RCMP Residences. This field is located approximately 20 m east of the M0086 well. Figure M0086-A, provided in Appendix A12, shows the location of the septic system.

#### **12.3 Water Quality Results**

#### 12.3.1 Results from Water Quality Sampling

#### **Bacteriological**

Two samples were collected from the M0086 Watson Lake RCMP Residence water system between May and June 2005 and were tested for total coliform and *E. coli* by Yukon Environmental Health Services using the presence/absence test method. Results are tabulated in Table M0086-1 in Appendix A12. Coliform bacteria and *E. coli* were reported as absent in both samples for which results were provided.

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## **Potability**

This site was only recently added as a one of the YTG maintained facility and as such a baseline water quality had not previously been collected and was not available for review prior to the assessment. The first YTG routine sampling event was completed on June 22, 2005. The sample was submitted to ALS for detailed potability analyses. The results of these analyses are summarized in Table M0086-2 in Appendix 12. Results of interest are summarized below:

- The hardness concentration of 273 mg/L (as CaCO3) indicates that the water is very hard and the softener was not functioning properly at the time of sampling.
- The total dissolved solids concentration was 314 mg/L and is considered to be relatively fresh.
- All other health based and aesthetic objectives were met for the parameters analyzed.
- Water quality results indicate that the groundwater supplying this system is calcium-bicarbonate type water with very high hardness.

Additional sample was obtained by EBA during the water system assessments in order to determine parameters relevant to the predesign of a potential treatment system. These included:

- UV absorbance, as well as tannins and lignin, to determine potential for UV treatment as a disinfection option for this water system; and,
- Total Organic Carbon to assist with treatment system selection.

Additionally, measurements in the field for total dissolved solids, conductivity, pH, and temperature. Results of the baseline and additional analytical sampling are summarized in Table M0086-2 in Appendix A12, and the laboratory results are included in Appendix B.

#### 12.3.2 Indicators of Potential Contamination

Chloride, nitrate and nitrite concentrations can indicate impacts from surface water sources or septic waste. Chloride concentrations, although were not high, are likely above the normal background ranges for groundwater in the area. Nitrate and nitrite concentrations for this sample are low and would also likely be within the normal background ranges for groundwater in the area. Considering that many of the wells



in the area have elevated chloride and nitrate, and also considering the shallow depth of this well, it is possible that the aquifer is under the influence of surface water sources or septic effluent wastes.

## 12.4 Conceptual Hydrogeology

No log was available for review for this well. Most wells in the area are completed at depths of less than 30 m within surficial moranic and colluvial deposits. These deposits are described as gravel, sand and silt, with occurrences of silty till sediments. This well is 14.3 m deep with a static water level of 9.5 m below grade. This well is situated on the north side of a groundwater flow divide near an area of groundwater discharge. The interpreted groundwater flow direction is likely northeasterly towards an unnamed lake.

#### 12.5 Potential Contaminant Sources

Potential contaminant sources observed during the site investigation are provided in field notes in Appendix A12. Photos of potential contaminant sources are also provided at the end of this appendix.

A summary of potential contaminant sources within 30 m of the well is provided below:

- Septic field apprioximately 25 m from well;
- Fuel storage tank located in the basement of residence at 15 m (approx.).

# 12.5.1 Spills Records and Contaminated Sites Search Results

The Government of Yukon Environmental Programs Branch and Environment Canada Environmental Protection Branch did not identify any recorded spill events or contaminated sites issues for this property or neighbouring properties. However, the corner lot across from Stubenburg road at Adela Trail appears to have groundwater monitoring wells on the site, and may be a former service station.



## 12.6 Identified Water System Deficiencies and Associated Risk

## 12.6.1 High or Medium Risk Deficiencies

- The well is located within 30 m of potential sources of contamination, including the communal septic system;
- Poor surface completion of the well (located below grade in an enclosure off from basement, wellhead had no cap at time of inspection);
- The well is not equipped with a surface sanitary seal as required by the Canadian Groundwater Association's Well Construction Guidelines;
- At 14.3 m in depth, this well is considered a shallow well;
- By definition of the Draft Yukon GUDI Assessment Guideline, the well is potentially under the direct influence of surface water because it has a production zone less than 15 m below grade, and does not meet the requirements of the Guidelines for Water Well Construction; and,
- There is no disinfection system present, and the only treatment present is a water softener.

#### 12.6.2 Low Risk Deficiencies

- There is a fuel storage tank located inside the basement of the residence. This is not a high-risk deficiency because the resident would likely notice fuel leak or spill before well contamination could occur.
- The pressure tank, jet pump and plumbing are in disrepair.

## 12.7 Mitigative Options for Deficiencies

Mitigative options were developed to address the deficiencies identified in the previous section. Deficiencies are categorized by recommended level of priority (with Priority 1 being most critical).

Considering that some of the wells in the RCMP complex in Watson Lake may show signs of potential impact from anthropogenic sources such as septic waste, it is proposed that a communal water distribution system be installed to serve all RCMP buildings in the complex with the source from the existing detachment well.



## 12.7.1 Priority 1

The following recommendations are provided in order to mitigate deficiencies that are of immediate concern for the M0086 Watson Lake RCMP Residence:

- If not already completed, the well should be superchlorinated and a cap should be installed on the well casing; and,
- A point of use NSF-55 certified disinfection system with adequate pretreatment should be installed.

# 12.7.2 Priority 2

- The existing detachment well should be improved, including extending the
  well to at least 500 mm above grade and installing a commercial pitless unit.
  A surface sanitary seal (grout or bentonite) to at least 3 m below grade
  should be retrofitted around the well and ground surface immediately
  around the wellhead should be graded to promote surface drainage away
  from the wellhead;
- Additional assessment, including a pump test, should be done on the detachment well to determine its yield capacity and other construction details; and,
- A centralized treatment system should be installed in the basement of the RCMP detachment. This treatment system could consist of either a chlorine disinfection system with suitable retention, a UV disinfection (NSF/ANSI 55 certified) system, or a combination of both. These are conceptual design recommendations based on the information available for planning and budgeting purposes. Engineering input will be required for final system specifications;
- A piped water distribution line should be installed to service each RCMP building. Service lines should be run to M0086, to one of M0087 or M0088 and existing piping can be used to connect to the other, to one of M0126 or M0127 and existing piping can be used to connect to the other, and existing piping between the detachment and the RCMP gym can be used to serve the gym.

Once a central treatment system is installed, the POE system at M0086 could be removed and installed at another YTG maintained building.

#### 12.7.3 Priority 3

• Existing well should be properly decommissioned.

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# 12.8 Cost Estimates for Mitigative Options

Engineering costs for mitigative options are estimated to be 20% of construction costs, and would include inspection and completion reporting. The costs for materials and labour (not including engineering) are provided in the sections below. An additional contingency allowance of 20% is suggested for budgetary purposes.

# 12.8.1 Priority 1

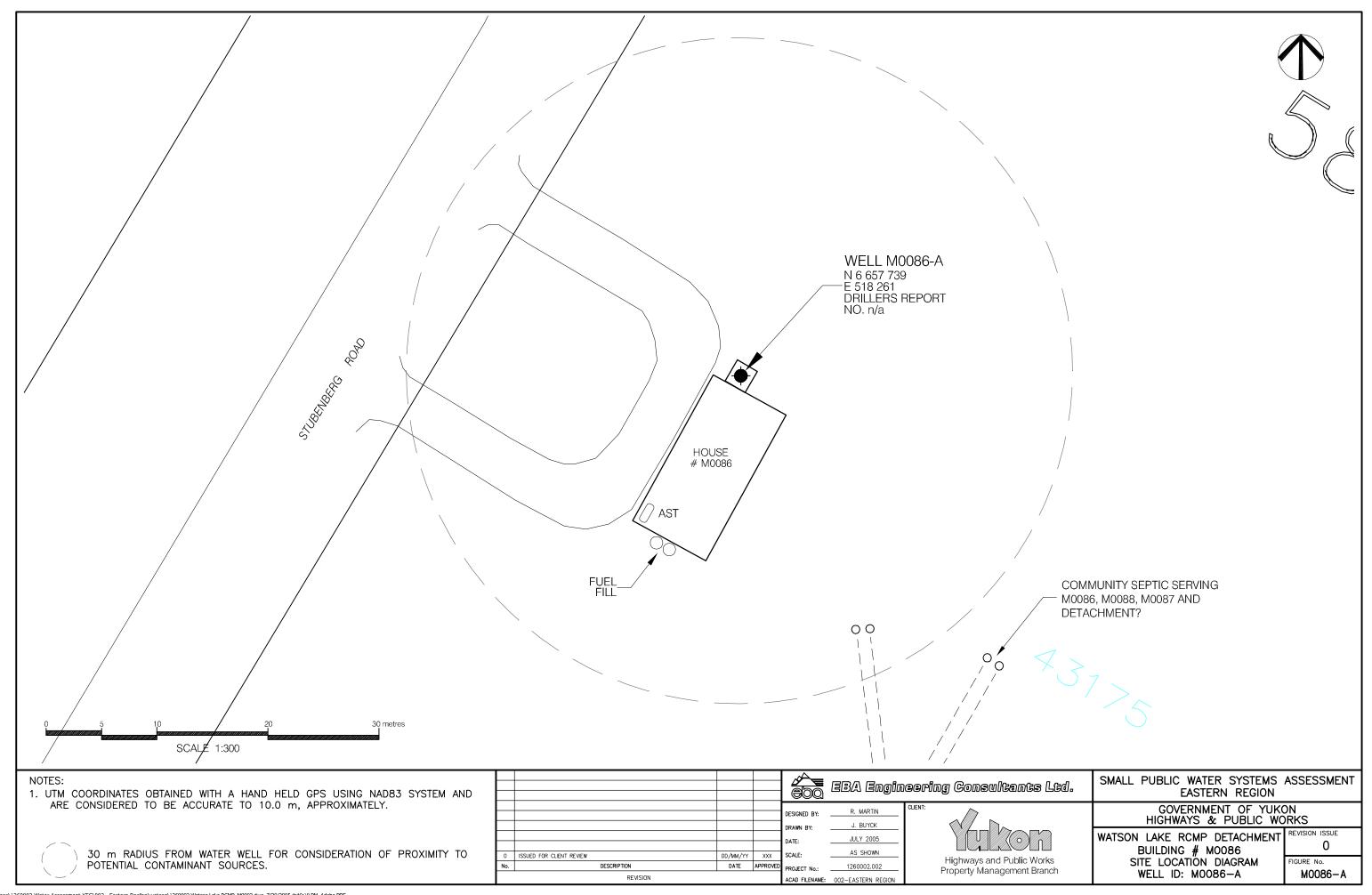
• The cost associated with shock chlorinating the water system (including the well) and installing a UV disinfection system would cost in the order of \$2,700 for all materials and labour. Pretreatment may be required for proper operation of the UV.

## 12.8.2 Priority 2

• The estimated total cost to install the distribution system would be in the order of \$25,000, including all materials and labour. Since the distribution system would serve five residences the cost to this system would be approximately \$5,000.

# 12.8.3 Priority 3

• It would cost in the order of \$1,000 to properly decommission the well.



# LEGEND



**PUMP** 



PRESSURE GAUGE



- GATE VALVE



CHECK VALVE



SOLENOID



COMPONENT ID. No. (SEE TABLE ON FOLLOWING PAGE)



FLOW METER



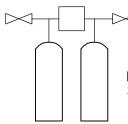
WATER FILTER (CARTRIDGE TYPE)



PRESSURE TANK



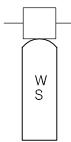
CHLORINE RESERVOIR AND INJECTION PUMP



**DUPLEX WATER** SOFTENER

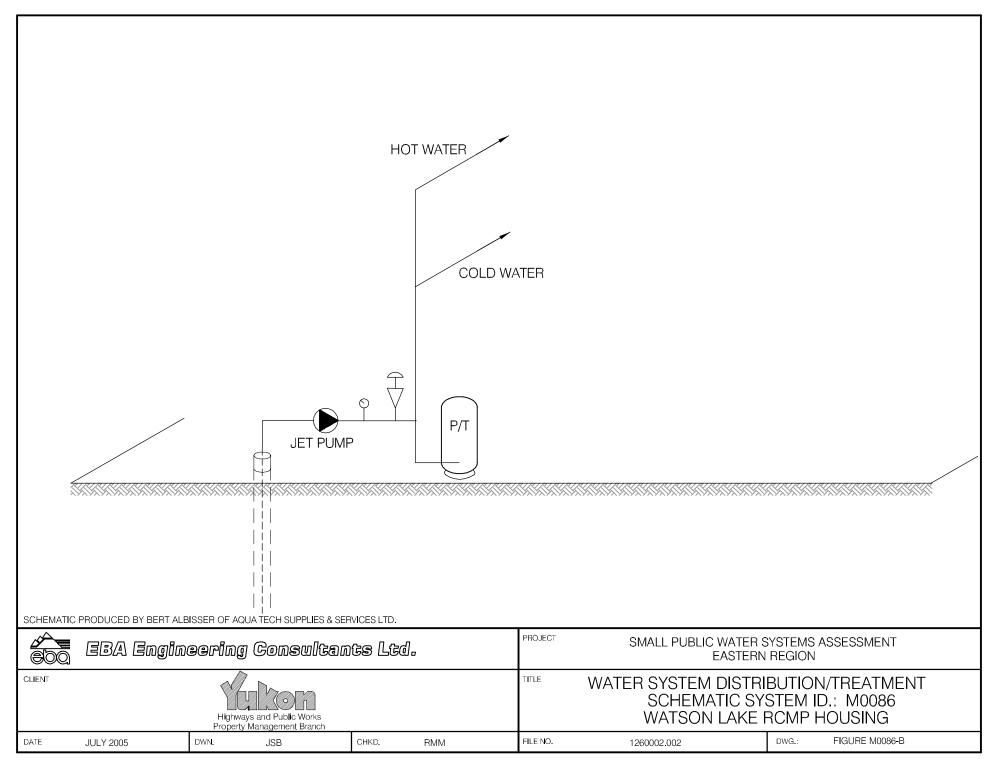


WELL WITH SUBMERSIBLE PUMP



**ACTIVATED CARBON** 

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	CLIENT  Highways and Public Works Property Management Branch	SCHEMATIC SYSTEM LEGEND
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# TABLE M0086- 1: SUMMARY OF BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

Building #	Building Name	Number of Sampling Events		Any Positive Total Coliform Results? (yes or no)		Any positive E.Coli results? (yes or no)	Most Recent Sampling Event Available for EBA Review	Is Most Recent Result Positive?
M0086	R.C.M.P. Housing	2	May -05 to Jun-05	no	0/2	no	23-Jun-05	no



Table M0086-2: Water Quality Results

Table III	000-2. <b>V</b>	vater W	uality Res	uits	
Location/ Resident	Watso	n Lake			
Address		benburg	l		
Treatment	Water S	Softener	l		
	l l				
Disinfection	N	lo	G	CDWQ Criter	ia
	•				
Source of Water	On-Sit	e Well			
	1	Additional			
Purpose of Sampling	Baseline	Sampling	ł		
			ŀ		
Samuela I acadian			1		
Sample Location					
Date Sampled	22-Jun-05	23-Jun-05		Upper	
Physical Tests (ALS)			AO	MAC	AO
Colour (CU)	<5.0				15
Conductivity (uS/cm)	537				
Total Dissolved Solids	314				500
Hardness CaCO3	273		AO > 200 = po	or, > 500 unac	ceptable <sup>A</sup>
pH	7.87		6.5	,	8.5
Turbidity (NTU)	0.54			1	5
UV Absorbance		0.0190			
	-				
Dissolved Anions (ALS)			-		
Alkalinity-Total CaCO3	274				
Chloride Cl	19.0				250
Fluoride F	0.025			1.5	
Sulphate SO4	7.49				
Nitrate Nitrogen N	< 0.10			10	
Nitrite Nitrogen N	< 0.10			1	
Total Metals (ALS)					
Aluminum T-Al	<0.010				
Antimony T-Sb	< 0.00050			0.006	
Arsenic T-As	0.00040			0.025	
Barium T-Ba	0.333			1	
Boron T-B	< 0.10			5	
Cadmium T-Cd	< 0.00020			0.005	
Calcium T-Ca	87.7				
Chromium T-Cr	<0.0020			0.05	
Copper T-Cu	0.0136			1	
Iron T-Fe	0.037				0.3
Lead T-Pb	<0.0010			0.01	
Magnesium T-Mg	13.1				
Manganese T-Mn	0.0064	ļ			0.05
Mercury T-Hg	<0.00020			0.001	
Potassium T-K	1.00				
Selenium T-Se	< 0.0010			0.01	
Sodium T-Na	6.5				200
Uranium T-U	0.00050			0.02	
Zinc T-Zn	<0.050				5
	<u> </u>				
Organic Parameters	<b>├</b>				
Tannin and Lignin	<del> </del>	0.21			
Total Organic Carbon C	<del> </del>	1.37			
	<del></del>				
Field Chemistry (EBA)	<del> </del>	7.00			0.5
pH		7.83	6.5		8.5
TDS (ppm)		263	ļ		500
EC (uS/cm) Temperature (°C)		550			
Notes:	I	8.0	İ	L	

#### Notes

A. Guidelines indicated for hardness are not CDWQG, rather they are general aesthetic guidelines - exceedences are indicated in yellow highlighting.

Italics and underline indicates exceedence of proposed MAC (ie. arsenic)

Bold with Yellow highlighting indicates exceedence of CDWQG Aesthetic Objective (AO)

<u>Bold Underline with Yellow</u> highlighting indicates exceedence of CDWQG MAC

Results are expressed as milligrams per litre except for pH and Colour (CU)

Conductivity (umhos/cm), Temperature (°C) and Turbidity (NTU)

< = Less than the detection limit indicated.

AO = Aesthetic Objective

MAC = Maximum Acceptable Concentration (Health Based)



# Table M0086-3: Summary of Well Assessment Results SMALL PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS

We	ll Identification	n	GPS Coordinates			
Building #	Building Name	Location	Northing (+/- 10 m)	Easting (+/- 10 m)	Grade Elevation (+/- 10 m)	
M0086	R.C.M.P. Housing	Watson Lake	6657739	518261	695	

			Well	Details			
Well Casing Diameter (mm)	Year Well Installed	Well Log?	Well Depth (m bg)	Reported Low Permeabilty Protective Layer?	Pump Setting (m bg)	Well Capacity - Tested, or Reported by User	Static Water Level Below Ground (m-btwc)
150		No	14.3 m below grade	Unknown	Jet pump		9.5 m below grade

Potential Contaminant Sources						
Distance from well to nearest point of septic field (m)	Distance from well to nearest building (m)		AST present on property?	Distance from well to AST (m)	Other potential sources of contamination observed on property, and distance to well	
M0086, M0087, M0088 septic field			Basement AST's	15 m	UST at 105 m	
M0092 septic field at 110 m	Located inside	Greater than 60 m	AST 1	70 m	4 other wells on property at approximately 60 m, 85 m,	
M0126 and M00127 septic at 90 m			AST 2	100 m	85m (abandonned), and 100 m	

	Well Construction Details						
Wellhead Above ground (m)	Well Cap	Apron Grading	Comments				
1.6 below grade	No		Unlikely	Ground above wellhead enclosure is relatively flat.			



# SMALL PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM ASSESSMENT

PART A: EBA Site Inspect			- 3 30 00 0
aspector: Ryan Martin Luke Lebel			Date June 23, 2005
WELL ID #	Owner		<b>Location Description</b>
M0086	RCMP	RCMP	Residence
. Well Location and Potenti	al Contaminant Sour	ces	
General location of well:	(Community, Subdivi	ision, etc.)	
o. Specific location: (Road	or street, Building num	nber, name o	of owner and/, legal description,
c. GPS location: N 665 7			695 m ±14
Is there electric power?	⊠ Yes [	□ No	
Is there outside water acc	ess? 🛮 Yes [	□ No	
Does the well system hav	e:		
111 Studenturg	ons to a piped distribution	on system?	If so how many
☐ 5 or more delivery sites on	a trucked distribution	system?	If so how many
g. Nearest building, spec of residence	ify Located in	enclosur	If so how many
h. Distance from well to bui	lding		×
i. If there is an effluent disp	oosal field, is its location	on known?	Yes No Communal Se
j. Distance from well to nea		_	
k. Well location relative to	field: upslope		downslope

1.	Is there any part of a sewage disposal system(s)or other potential sources of pollution that may pose a
hea	alth and safety risk within 30 m?
C	ommonal septic system for residences
	Is the well located within 300 m from a sewage lagoon or pit?  Yes No
n.	Is the well located within 120 m from a solid waste site or dump, cemetery?   Yes X No
o.	Is the infrastructure protecting the wellhead, pumphouse, storage tank and/or water treatment
	plant designed and secured to prevent:
_	Unauthorized access by humans? \ Yes \ No \ No \ Sen! \ Cap - access into well \ may be accessable to children \ Is well site subject to flooding? \ Yes \ No \ No \ large \ or \ serious \ water \ 6tain ling !
p.	is wen site subject to mooding?
q.	Is the well site well drained? Yes \square No
r.	Is there a buried fuel tank on the property?  \( \overline{\mathbb{N}} \) Yes \( \overline{\mathbb{N}} \) No
	If yes, is it
	Is the location known? Yes No  Distance from the well to known buried tank No
s.	Are there any other known contaminant sources on the property?
	☐ Yes ☐ No Describe AST'S In busmont @ ~ 15m
	If yes, specify the source: $\square$ dump $\square$ sewage lagoon $\square$ cemetery $\square$ other
	Potential Source 1: A57 1; Distance from well to Potential Source 1: ~ 70 m
	Potential Source 2: A 67 7; Distance from well to Potential Source 2: ~ 100 m
	Potential Source 3:; Distance from well to Potential Source 3:
	Potential Source 4:; Distance from well to Potential Source 4:
t.	Are there other wells on this property? Yes  \text{No}
	How many? Y in use (3) A abandoned (9) require proper sealing

# EBA Engineering Consultants Ltd. Creating and Delivering Better Solutions 2. Well and Wellhead information: When was well installed? Year unknown Month ☐ drilled ☐ dug ☐ sand point ☐ other b. Type: Is there a drillers log for the well: \(\simega\) Yes \(\text{X}\) No c. Is there a surface seal to 6 m ☐ Yes 🔀 No ☐ unknown 💆 unlikely d. e. f. Depth of well: 14.3m | below grade | measured (if possible) | reported | from log Static water level below ground: ~ 9.5 m below grade h. ☐ measured (if possible) ☐ reported ☐ from log ☐ flowing (If granular) Is the well completed: $\square$ open end casing $\square$ with a well screen i. □ with slotted pipe □ unknown other □ いんnown j. If there is a well screen: length vn Mnown slot size(s) k. Location of screen: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_ □ No unknown Is there a sump below the screen? $\square$ Yes 1. Is the well head: $\square$ in pumphouse $\square$ in pit $\square$ pitless adaptor $\bowtie$ in a building m. in enclosure of from busement of residence in a wooden enclosure other, describe

n. If the well head is located in a wooden enclosure,

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i	. Is the well head below grade? describe in detail ~ 1.6 m below grade
i	i. Are there signs of ponding on the enclosure(e.g. water stains, etc.)? Yes \ No some In basement around pressure tenk
i	ii. Is the wellhead enclosed by fiberglass insulations? Tyes INO
	iv. Any evidence of rodents? Specify Access is possible
•	Does the well casing have a proper seal cap? \(\sigma\) Yes \(\sigma\) No
	If no, describe condition No seal cap
3. Wa	ater Supplying This Well:
a. I	By definition is the water from a surface water source or under the direct influence of surface water?
	Yes $\square$ No $\square$ farther investigation required.
]	f yes is there treatment Yes  No
]	Explain (filtration, disinfection etc) Softener
<u>4. Aq</u>	uifer Supplying This Well:
a. [	The aquifer is: Dedrock granular sediment unknown
b. I	Does water level and/or well capacity show seasonal fluctuation? \( \sum \) Yes \( \sum \) No \( \sum \) \( \s
<u>5.</u> ]	Pump Installation:
a. ]	s the well equipped with a pump? 🛛 yes 🔲 No
b. 7	Type of pump: Dhand Delectric submersible piet
	☐ shallow well centrifugal ☐ other,
<b>c.</b> ]	Description: Manufacturer Model
	horsepower capacity voltage
	4/11

# EBA Engineering Consultants Ltd. Creating and Delivering Better Solutions d. Date installed: By: For submersible pump, depth of setting below surface e. plastic Drop pipe for submersible pump: steel f. Pump delivers water to: pressure tank elevated tank other g. Are there automatic pump controls: X Yes h. Is there provision for taking water samples before water reaches storage? \(\sigma\) Yes \(\sigma\) No i. Is there a water meter on the system? $\square$ Yes X No j. Is the pump and piping protected from freezing? X Yes k. If yes, describe: located inside heated building Comments on pump installation: 1. 6. Conclusions a. Comments on overall installation: b.Recommendations:

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Ins	pector: BERT ALBI	SSER	Date JUNE 23 05
	WELL ID #	0	
	WELL ID#	Owner RLMP	Location Description
	M0086	KC/ I	TEMP WESON LAKE HOUSE # 1
6.	Water Treatment	/	The area of the second of the
a.	Is well water treated?	Yes No; Type o	f treatment:
	☐ chlorination ☐ ire	on and or manganese remo	oval  other
b.			tem treated with chlorine or another treatment that is on throughout the system?
	Yes No	If so how	
c.	If treated with chlorine, is	the free residual chlorine	concentration less than 0.2 mg/L
	Yes No _	reading	<b>,</b>
	Tested at		_(location)
d.	Is testing for chlorine residence points in a piped distribution		the tap (eg. Kitchen faucet) or from representative nt from tap at the end line
	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes how often	en?
e.	If the drinking water is be	eing transported by water	delivery truck does it have a minimum chlorine free
	residual of 0.4 mg/L at	the time of fill.  Yes	□ No
7.	Water Quality (observa	tions):	
a.	Does the water stain plun	nbing?	slight  severe
		brown 🗗 red	,
b.	Does the water contain se	ediment?	To accasional aconstant
c.	Is there an unpleasant odd	our? 🗆 Yes 🗹 1	No  H <sub>2</sub> S  Other

# EBA Engineering Consultants Ltd. Creating and Delivering Better Solutions Is there an unpleasant taste? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No $\square$ brackish $\square$ Other d. □ No } ☐ Yes Is there a history of bad bacterial analyses? e. Is there a chemical analysis? ☐ Yes □ No adequate incomplete f. Is there analysis of trihalomethanes (THMs) where the water source is a surface water supply or a well g. under the direct influence of surface water? Yes Is the drinking water tested daily with an accurate reading chlorine test kit capable of reading in the h. range 0 to 3.5 mg/L of free chlorine residual in increments of 0.1 mg/L? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ unknown If yes is the test performed in accordance with manufactures directions? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No $\square$ unknown i. Is a record of the date, time, name of person performing the test and results of the drinking water sample j. □ No TANK AND PIPING DETAILS Tank Room Is there a water tank? Yes(No) Details: Where is it located? Comments: Is the room in which the water tank is located heated to maintain an optimum temperature of 4°C for stored water? YES NO Comments: Are there windows in the add-on that may allow direct sunlight onto the water holding tank? YES NO Comments:

Is there waterproof flooring with a sealed base to contain spills? YES NO

Are there other heat sources near the tank? YES NO

Comments:

Overall Tank
What are the tank size and dimensions?
What material is the tank constructed of?
Is tank and associated piping constructed of safe materials (i.e. CSA approved and material that does
not affect the taste of the water)? YES NO
Comments:
Tank Inlet, Outlet and Lid  Is there adequate access on the tank for cleaning (i.e. min 15" access lid)? YES NO
Does the lid have a tight seal and is it watertight when closed? YES NO
Does the tank have an overflow or high level whistle? YES NO
Is the water tank drain accessible? YES NO
WATER TANK AND WATER QUALITY CONDITION
Are there signs of staining or biofouling? YES NO Comments:
Is there any sediment or scum in bottom of tank? YES NO Comments:
Is there any odour associated with the water or tank? YES NO
Have there been any bacteriological analyses conducted previously? YES NO
Does the tank appear that it has been cleaned recently? YES NO

Are the tanks easily assessed for the purpose of cleaning and disinfection? YES NO

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a. Comments on overall installation:	
THIS IS A OLD (1989) TOTALLY INADEQUA	RE
INSTAULATION. THE WELL HELD IS WIDE OF	262
NO SELL OF ANY KIND. THE PUMP & TANK	KRE
BOTH AT THE END OF THEIR LIFE CYCLE.	
PRESSURE TANK IS STOWING SIGNS OF LEAKE	
AS THE POOTTOM IS NEARLY RISTED OUT	
Completely.	
b. Recommendations:	
CLEAN THE WER MECHANICARLY, ATTION	
EXTENDING THE WELL CASING TO THE	
REGUIRED HEIGHT ABOVE GRADE. INSTALL	
A NEW Pumo System. INSTAU ON PITCHS	 S
ADACTER.	
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**Photo 0306:** M0086 Watson Lake RCMP Residence – location of well off of basement



Photo 0304: M0086 Septic field



Photo 0043: M0086 Wellhead (back right), and jet pump (front centre)



**Photo 0044:** M0086 Pressure tank (left) and wellhead enclosure off of basement of residence

