# Regional Water & Wastewater Pilot Project

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### **Project Description**

- The pilot project began in late 2015 and is planned to run until March 2019
- Operators work through the applicable service board in each region
- Operators work with communities to help develop skills and knowledge to effectively operate their water and wastewater systems

# About the Project

#### **Objectives**

- Improve drinking water quality
- Improve wastewater monitoring and treatment
- Improve preventative maintenance and record keeping
- Provide an extra resource for small communities
- Reduce the amount of boil water advisories

There is no life without water Because water is needed to make coffee



# Western Region

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#### **Communities**



- Rose Blanche / Harbour le Cou
- Burnt Islands
- Isle aux Morts
- Fox Roost / Margaree
- Flat Bay
- Black Duck Siding
- Sheaves Cove
- Ship Cove
- Piccadilly Head & West Bay
- Piccadilly Slant / Abraham's Cove

### **Progress**

- Maintenance Assurance Manual created and implemented in several communities (preventative maintenance, emergency response, operating procedures, record keeping)
- System monitoring and chlorine adjustments have improved residuals in several areas
- Community info sessions and engaging residents
- Assistance obtaining funding for treatment of various water quality issues
- Wastewater monitoring in 1 community to determine if there is a need for treatment



- Rose Blanche/Harbour le Cou off boil water advisory, constructing a wet well in the spring
- Isle aux Morts off boil water advisory, replacing sections of distribution system in the spring
- Burnt Islands improvement in operation of chlorine resulting in fewer aesthetic concerns
- Flat Bay off boil water advisory, in the process of obtaining arsenic treatment for one well
- Ship Cove have chlorination systems set up and running in all 6 wells, improvements on maintenance and repairs
- Piccadilly Head & West Bay —regionalizing water services with the town of Lourdes

#### **New Communities**

- Some of the original communities didn't have the capacity to participate in the program
- Some of the LSD's are in poor financial situations, lack a governance structure, or are not interested in chlorinating their drinking water

5 new communities are being finalized to join the program in Western:

- Great Codroy
- Tompkins
- Benoits Siding + Doyles
- St. Andrews
- Upper Ferry

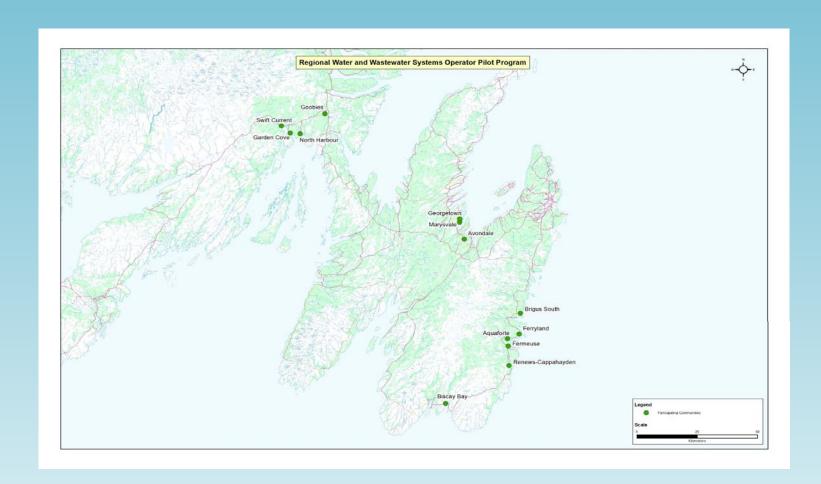
# **Eastern Region**

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#### **Isthmus**

- Goobies
- North Harbour
- Swift Current
- Garden Cove

#### **Southern Shore**

- Brigus South
- Ferryland
- Aquaforte
- Fermeuse
- Renews-Cappahayden
- Biscay Bay

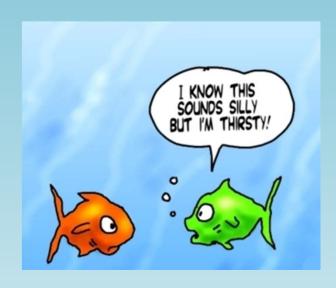
# **Conception Bay Centre**

- Georgetown
- Marysvale
- Avondale



#### **Initiatives**

- Operations binder
- Certification as a small systems operator
- New clusters Trinity Bay, St Mary's Bay



# Regionalization

- Georgetown, Maryvale, Colliers and Conception Harbour
  - Bull Cove Pond near Georgetown
  - Letter to Minister of Municipal Affairs
  - Tendering in the spring for the pump house
- Southern Shore
  - Recent retirements / resignations
  - Dialogue between communities
  - Collecting GPS data in support of regionalization

#### **Boil Water Advisories**

- In effect for: Biscay Bay, Brigus South, Georgetown, Marysvale, Garden Cove, Goobies, North Harbour, Swift Current
- No Boil Water Advisory: Aquaforte, Fermeuse, Ferryland, Renews-Cappahayden, Avondale

#### Next...

- New cluster to be added shortly
- Communities have been picked
- Ministerial letter is pending



# **Central Region**

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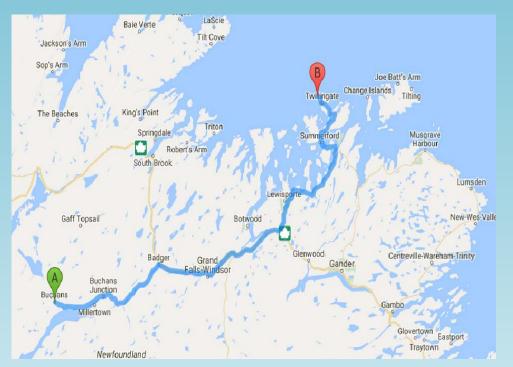
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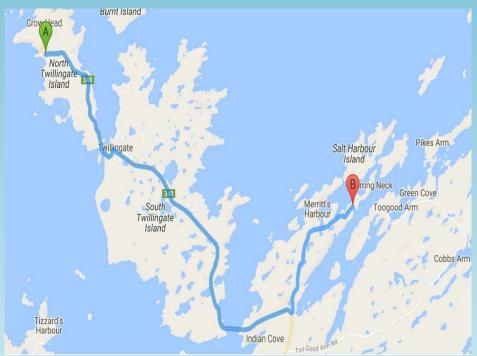
# There are a total of 12 Communities that are currently a part of the Pilot Project.

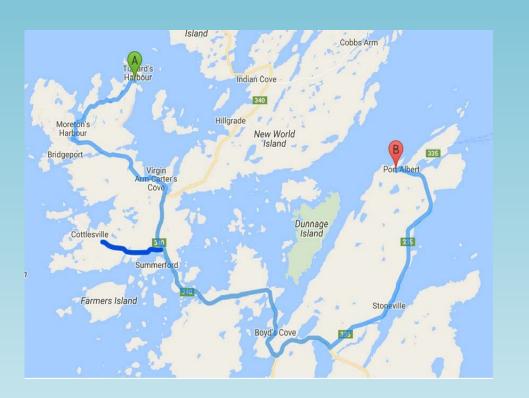
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- Purcell's Harbour
- Merritt's Harbour
- Herring Neck

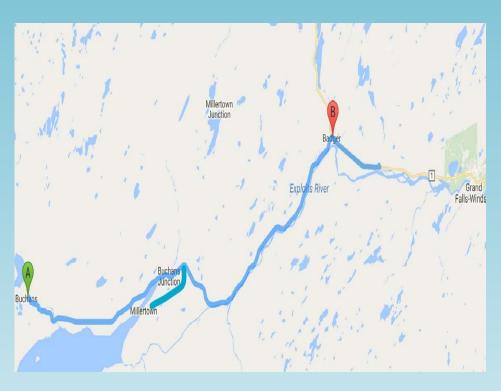
- Tizzard's Harbour
- Cottlesville
- Stoneville
- Port Albert

- Badger
- Buchan's Junction
- Millertown
- Buchans









# Accomplishments so far:

 Assurance manuals completed and in use by most of the 12 communities (Operational monitoring plan, standard operating procedures, emergency response plan, preventative maintenance programs)

Federal waste water regulations
 Assisted in the waste water survey - based on theoretical flows, would flow testing need to be done for some communities



#### **Benefits:**

- Record keeping
- Preventative maintenance
- Improved chlorine management (cost to communities)
- Improvements to systems
- Tender soon to be called on one project to correct problems with the disinfection system
- Special assistance was applied for by one community to complete needed repairs which have been done

# Moving Forward:

- To continue working with the assigned communities in improving on their water and sewer systems
- To expand the service provided to more communities



# Thank you © Questions?