

Operation and Maintenance of Drilled Wells

Ben Pitman





Not Rex Murphy!



Where is Amherst anyway?





Home of the Self Propelled Sidewalk Plow



History of Amherst Water Supply

- 1885 First Public Water Supply in Amherst,
- 1900 Nappan River Surface Supply



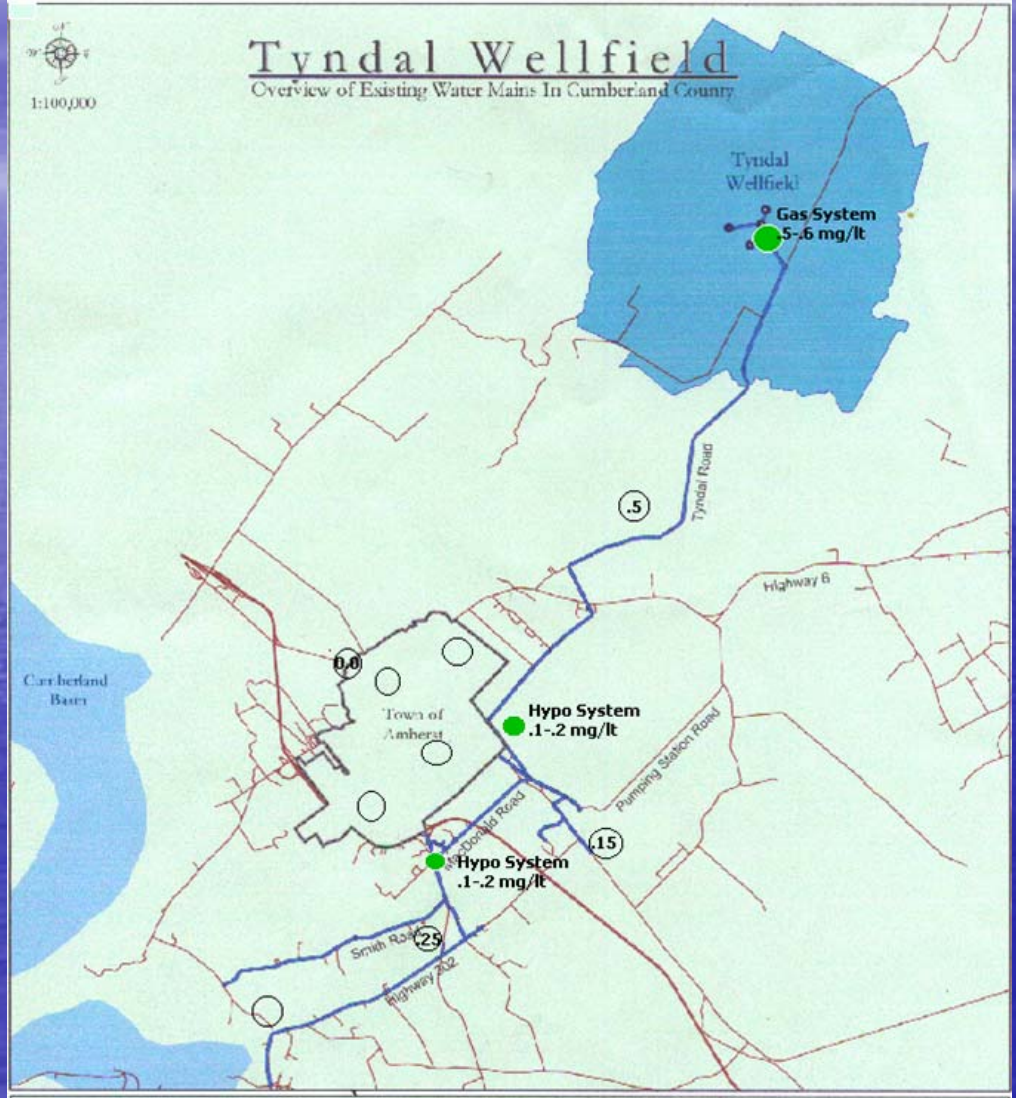
History Continued

- 1949 First Drilled Well
- 1983 Town abandon three wells due to Contamination
- 1985 -87 Groundwater Exploration Program
- 1991-93 Construction of New Wellfield



Tyndal Wellfield

Overview of Existing Water Mains In Cumberland County



- Roads
- Water Mains
- Production Wells
- Town Boundary
- Wellfield Boundary









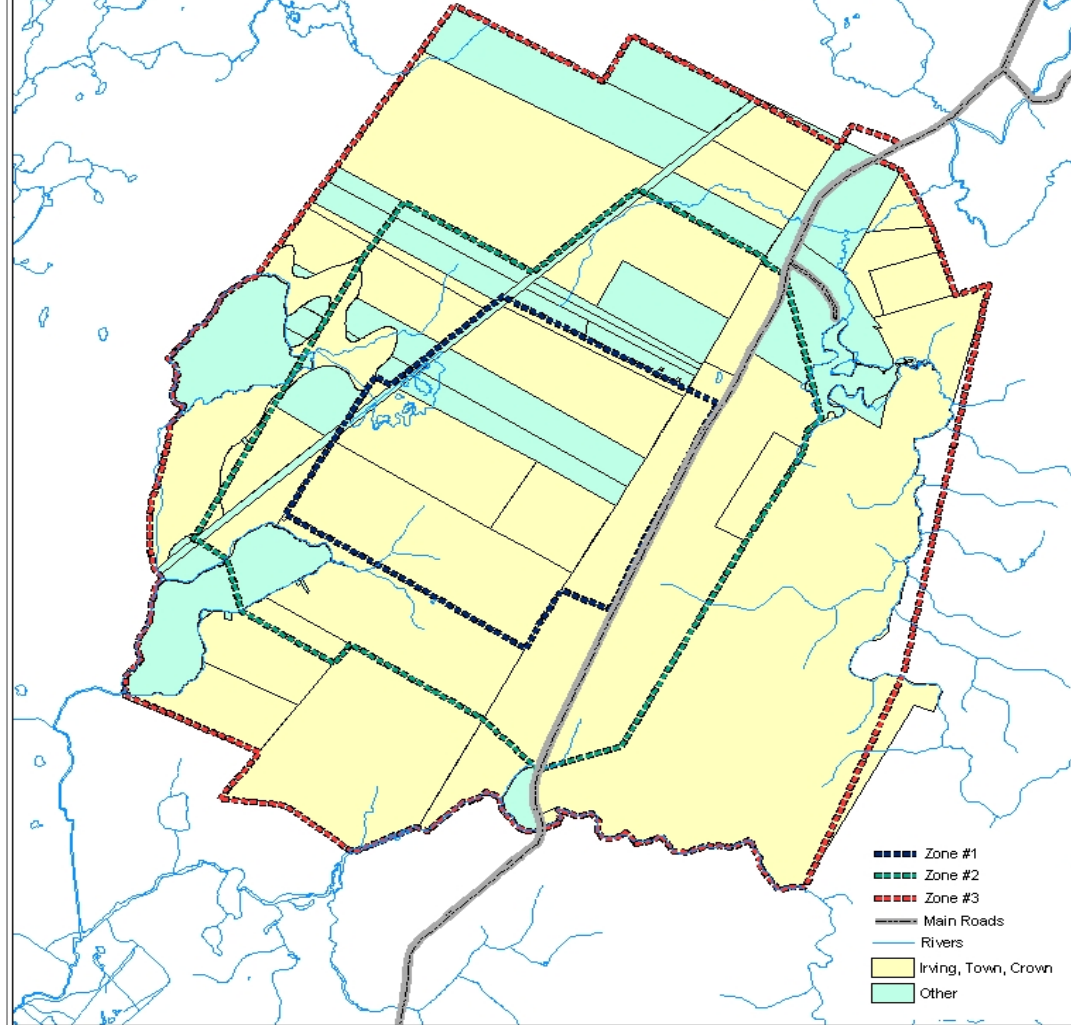
CAUTION
SANDING ONLY
NEXT km

Ground Water Protection Plan

- The main premise for our Protection Plan is the definition of protection zones established in accordance with delay times or travel times for groundwater in roughly concentric circles around the pumping wells.

Tyndal Wellfield Properties

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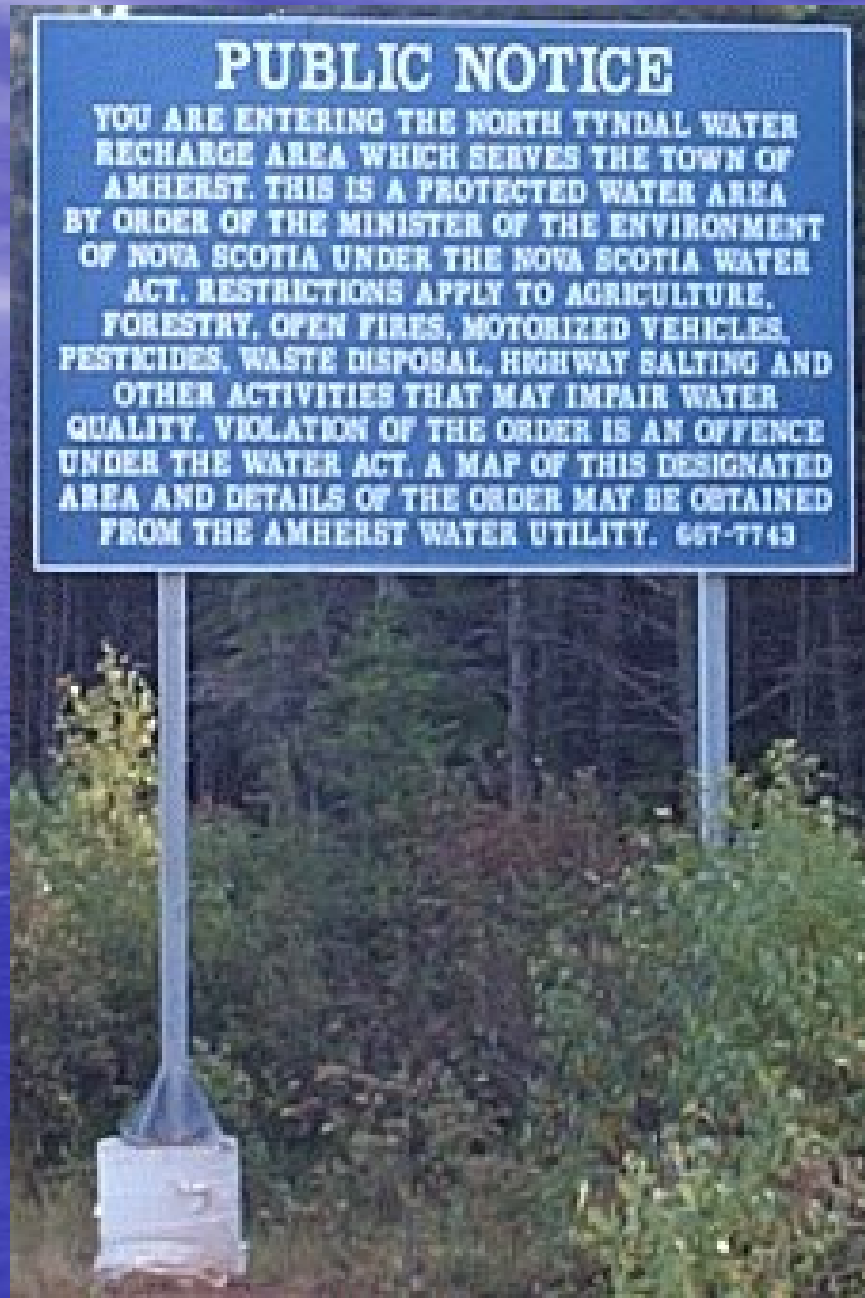


Three Zones of Protection

- Zone I- 10 Year Delay- this is the innermost Zone-only activities associated with water production and forest management allowed.- 600ha
- Zone II- 50 Year Delay- 1000ha
- Zone III- Total Recharge-2100ha

PUBLIC NOTICE

YOU ARE ENTERING THE NORTH TYNDAL WATER RECHARGE AREA WHICH SERVES THE TOWN OF AMHERST. THIS IS A PROTECTED WATER AREA BY ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF NOVA SCOTIA UNDER THE NOVA SCOTIA WATER ACT. RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, OPEN FIRES, MOTORIZED VEHICLES, PESTICIDES, WASTE DISPOSAL, HIGHWAY SALTING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT MAY IMPAIR WATER QUALITY. VIOLATION OF THE ORDER IS AN OFFENCE UNDER THE WATER ACT. A MAP OF THIS DESIGNATED AREA AND DETAILS OF THE ORDER MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE AMHERST WATER UTILITY. 687-7743



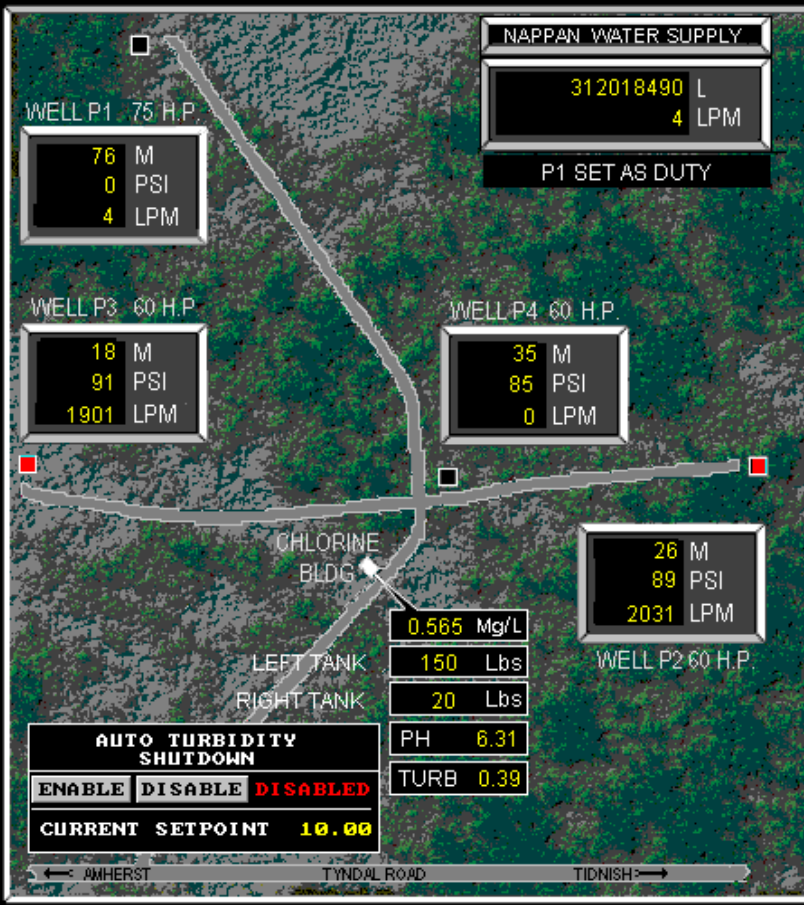
Most Hunters Do Not Like To Walk



PUMP CONTROL

EXIT TO WINDOWS

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NAPPAN WATER SUPPLY
312018490 L
4 LPM
P1 SET AS DUTY



Reservoir Outflow 6763 LPM
Total 1600997 M3
Chlorine Resid - 0.25 mg/L

McCully St CL2 Residual 0.43 mg/L

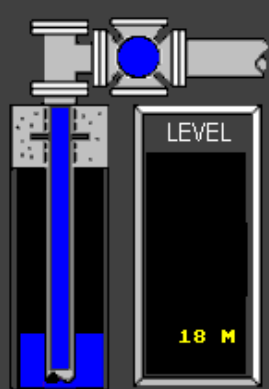
38 M
0 LPM
WELL #1
36 H.P.

Dialer Setup

of Pumps Run (Auto reset at first of month)
Simultaneously this month



Well P-3



LEVEL
18 M

Well P-4 **Well P-3**

PASSWORD CHANGE RESET PUMP

RUN TIME **63972** hours **9** mins

PRES- **91** PSI FLOW-**1896** LPM

CHLORINATION SYSTEM

FLOW PACE		BSTR / SOLENOIDS	
AUTO	MAN	AUTO	MAN
IN AUTO		START	STOP
50 % MANUAL		RUNNING	
3932 L/Min			



FLOW PACE BACKUP **FLW PACE**

Well P-2 Well P-1 Well #1

START STOP ON

AUTO **MANUAL** **ALL STOP**

CL2 AUTO SHUTDOWN ENABLE DISABLE **ENABLED**

SYSTEM SCREEN

SEWAGE / FIRE STATIONS


DYNAMIC REPORT

PASSWORD PROTECT ON

ALARM WINDOW

TRENDING

PUMP #0 = P4 PUMP #3 = P1
PUMP #1 = P3 PUMP #4 = W1
PUMP #2 = P2



7.42 M

CONTROL	ELEVATION	PUMP NUMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	8.2 M	P-3
<input type="checkbox"/>	7.5 M	P-2
<input type="checkbox"/>	7.2 M	P-4
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.6 M	P-3
<input type="checkbox"/>	6.1 M	W#1

WELLHEAD VOLTAGE ALARM	
LOW	540
HIGH	660

WELL #1 CURRENT ALARM	
LOW	14
HIGH	22

WELL P4 CURRENT ALARM	
LOW	55
HIGH	78

WELL P3 CURRENT ALARM	
LOW	35
HIGH	61

WELL P2 CURRENT ALARM	
LOW	35
HIGH	61

WELL P1 CURRENT ALARM	
LOW	60
HIGH	85

Record Keeping

- Construction Information
- Historical Data
- Specific Capacity

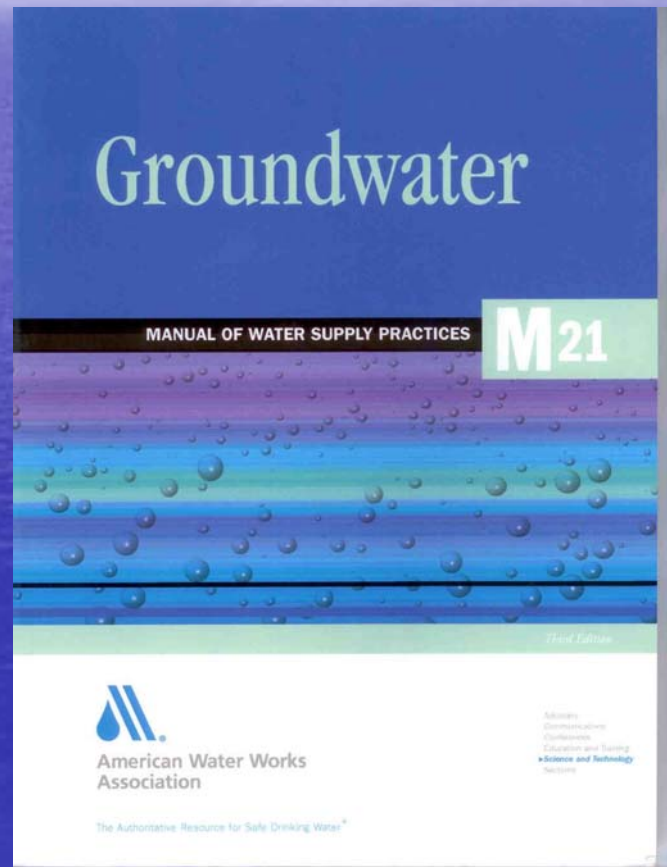
Construction Information

Pump Type, specifications, HP, Pump Curves

Well Diameter, Depth, Well logs, casing
depth

- Document your Problems!!!

AWWA Manual of Water Supply Practices M21



Historical Data

- Water Level – During and after Pumping
- Water production
- Electrical Info (amps, volts, phase)
- Document your problems

Operational Problems

- Decline in Well Performance
- Contamination
- Electrical Problems – Phase drop outs – lighting strikes – overheating – motor burn out
- Water Hammer

As always safety first



Maintenance

- Yearly – Procedure every new budget year
- Monthly -
- Weekly -
- Daily - Automate

Recent Problem in Amherst

- Operator is replacing gasket, riser pipe breaks off and falls to bottom of well
- Riser Pipe is Plastic
- Video Inspection – to locate top of riser pipe
- Rented a tool (“Over Shot”) from the Oil industry to retrieve the riser pipe and pump

Video Inspection











Cheers!!

