



**INFRASTRUCTURE
SERVICES**
Staff Report

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TO: Council

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DATE: February 26, 2024

SUBJECT: 2023 Annual Summary and Water Quality Report

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the 2023 Annual Summary and Water Quality Reports be received for information purposes;

AND THAT Council continue to commit to providing the resources for the implementation, maintenance, and continual improvement of the Drinking Water Quality Management Standard (DWQMS) as outlined in this report.

SUMMARY:

The 2023 Annual Summary and Water Quality Reports have been prepared in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 2002 and O. Reg. 170/03. The summary report must be provided to the owner of the drinking water system no later than March 31st of each year.

BACKGROUND:

The municipality is required under the SDWA - O. Reg. 170/03 – Section 11 and Schedule 22 to provide the public and Council with the Annual Water Quality Report and the Annual Summary Report for the water distribution systems owned by the Municipality. These reports are prepared and presented to Council annually for the previous year's operations. They are also posted on the Township of Wilmot webpage for the public.

REPORT:

The Annual Summary Report for the year 2023 is attached and provides the owners of the drinking water system an overview of the status of the drinking water system including compliance, MECP inspection, drinking water quality management system, audits, management review, water usages, and adverse conditions.

The Annual Water Quality Report for the year 2023 is attached and provides the owners of the drinking water system an overview of system information, adverse water quality incidents, water quality sampling and testing results of the drinking water distribution system. There is a separate water quality report for each of the Township's distribution systems.

ALIGNMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF WILMOT STRATEGIC PLAN:

The Township demonstrates Responsible Governance through active communications and reporting on services. The Annual Summary Report and Annual Water Quality Report provides assurance to the Township of Wilmot's water system owner and its customers that safe, high quality drinking water is being distributed.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The Township's Water system is a user-funded enterprise that is funded outside of the general tax base. The 2023 operating budget for Wilmot water systems was just under \$3.4M.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix A – 2023 Annual Summary Report
Appendix B – 2023 Annual Water Quality Report