10 GLOSSARY

Aquifer a formation, group of formations, or part of a formation that contains saturated

permeable rocks capable of transmitting groundwater to water wells or

springs in economical quantities.

Aquitard a confining bed that retards but does not prevent the flow of water to or from an

adjacent aquifer.

Available Drawdown in a confined aquifer, the distance between the non-pumping water level and

the top of the aquifer.

in an unconfined aquifer (water table aquifer), two thirds of the saturated

thickness of the aquifer.

Deltaic a depositional environment in standing water near the mouth of a river.

Facies the aspect or character of the sediment within beds of one and the same age

(Pettijohn, 1957).

Fluvial produced by the action of a stream or river.

Hydraulic Conductivity the rate of flow of water through a unit cross-section under a unit hydraulic

gradient; units are length/time.

Kriging a geo-statistical method for gridding irregularly-spaced data.

Lacustrine fine-grained sedimentary deposits associated with a lake environment and not

including shore-line deposits.

Surficial Deposits includes all sediments above the bedrock.

Transmissivity the rate at which water is transmitted through a unit width of an aquifer under a

unit hydraulic gradient: a measure of the ease with which groundwater can

move through the aquifer.

Apparent Transmissivity: the value determined from a summary of aquifer test

data, usually involving only two water-level readings.

Effective Transmissivity: the value determined from late pumping and/or late

recovery water-level data from an aquifer test.

Aquifer Transmissivity: the value determined by multiplying the hydraulic

conductivity of an aquifer by the thickness of the aquifer.

Yield a regional analysis term referring to the rate a properly completed water well

could be pumped, if fully penetrating the aquifer.

Apparent Yield: based mainly on apparent transmissivity.

Long-Term Yield: based on effective transmissivity.



COUNTY OF STETTLER NO. 6 Appendix B MAPS AND FIGURES ON CD-ROM

CD-ROM

- A) Database
- **B)** ArcView Files
- C) Query
- D) Maps and Figures

1) General

Index Map

Water Wells Deeper than 120 metres

Location of Water Wells

Depth of Existing Water Wells

Bedrock Topography

Bedrock Geology

Cross-Section A - A'

Cross-Section B - B'

Geologic Column

Generalized Cross-Section

Risk of Groundwater Contamination

Relative Permeability

Hydrographs - AEP Observation Water Wells

2) Surficial Aquifers

a) Surficial Deposits

Thickness of Surficial Deposits

Non-Pumping Water-Level Surface in Water Wells Shallower than 15 metres

Total Dissolved Solids in Groundwater from Surficial Deposits

Sulfate in Groundwater from Surficial Deposits

Chloride in Groundwater from Surficial Deposits

Fluoride in Groundwater from Surficial Deposits

Piper Diagram - Surficial Deposits

Amount of Sand and Gravel in Surficial Deposits

Thickness of Sand and Gravel Aquifer(s)

Apparent Yield for Water Wells Completed through Sand and Gravel Aquifer(s)

b) First Sand and Gravel

Thickness of First Sand and Gravel

First Sand and Gravel - Saturation



3) Bedrock Aquifers

a) General

Apparent Yield for Water Wells Completed in Upper Bedrock Aquifer(s)

Total Dissolved Solids in Groundwater from Upper Bedrock Aguifer(s)

Sulfate in Groundwater from Upper Bedrock Aquifer(s)

Chloride in Groundwater from Upper Bedrock Aquifer(s)

Fluoride in Groundwater from Upper Bedrock Aquifer(s)

Piper Diagram - Bedrock Aquifers

Recharge/Discharge Areas between Surficial Deposits and Upper Bedrock Aquifer(s)

Non-Pumping Water-Level Surface in Upper Bedrock Aquifer

c) ScollardAquifer

Depth to Top of Scollard Formation

Structure-Contour Map - Top of Scollard Formation

Non-Pumping Water-Level Surface - Scollard Aquifer

Apparent Yield for Water Wells Completed through Scollard Aquifer

Total Dissolved Solids in Groundwater from Scollard Aquifer

Sulfate in Groundwater from Scollard Aguifer

Chloride in Groundwater from Scollard Aquifer

Piper Diagram - Scollard Aquifer

Recharge/Discharge Areas between Surficial Deposits and Scollard Aquifer

d) Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Depth to Top of Upper Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Structure-Contour Map - Top of Upper Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Non-Pumping Water-Level Surface - Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Apparent Yield for Water Wells Completed through Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Total Dissolved Solids in Groundwater from Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Sulfate in Groundwater from Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Chloride in Groundwater from Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Piper Diagram - Upper Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Recharge/Discharge Areas between Surficial Deposits and Upper Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

e) Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Depth to Top of Lower Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Structure-Contour Map - Top of Lower Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Non-Pumping Water-Level Surface - Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Apparent Yield for Water Wells Completed through Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Total Dissolved Solids in Groundwater from Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Sulfate in Groundwater from Lower Horseshoe Canvon Aquifer

Chloride in Groundwater from Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aquifer

Piper Diagram - Lower Horseshoe Canyon Formation

Recharge/Discharge Areas between Surficial Deposits and Lower Horseshoe Canyon Aguifer

e) Bearpaw Aquifer

Depth to Top of Bearpaw Aquifer

Structure-Contour Map - Top of Bearpaw Formation



COUNTY OF STETTLER NO. 6 Appendix C

GENERAL WATER WELL INFORMATION

Domestic Water Well Testing	C - 2
Site Diagrams	
Surface Details	C - 3
Groundwater Discharge Point	C - 3
Water-Level Measurements	C - 3
Discharge Measurements	C - 4
Water Samples	C - 4
Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act Water Well Regulation	C - 5
Additional Information	



Domestic Water Well Testing

Purpose and Requirements

The purpose of the testing of domestic water wells is to obtain background data related to:

- 1) the non-pumping water level for the aquifer Has there been any lowering of the level since the last measurement?
- 2) the specific capacity of the water well, which indicates the type of contact the water well has with the aquifer;
- 3) the transmissivity of the aquifer and hence an estimate of the projected longterm yield for the water well;
- 4) the chemical, bacteriological and physical quality of the groundwater from the water well.

The testing procedure involves conducting an aquifer test and collecting of groundwater samples for analysis by an accredited laboratory. The date and time of the testing are to be recorded on all data collection sheets. A sketch showing the location of the water well relative to surrounding features is required. The sketch should answer the question, "If this water well is tested in the future, how will the person doing the testing know this is the water well I tested?"

The water well should be taken out of service as long as possible before the start of the aquifer test, preferably not less than 30 minutes before the start of pumping. The non-pumping water level is to be measured 30, 10, and 5 minutes before the start of pumping and immediately before the start of pumping which is to be designated as time 0 for the test. All water levels must be from the same designated reference, usually the top of the casing. Water levels are to be measured during the pumping interval and during the recovery interval after the pump has been turned off; all water measurements are to be with an accuracy of \pm 0.01 metres.

During the pumping and recovery intervals, the water level is to be measured at the appropriate times. An example of the time schedule for a 4-hour test is as follows, measured in minutes after the pump is turned on and again after the pump is turned off:

1,2,3,4,6,8,10,13,16,20,25,32,40,50,64,80,100,120.

For a four-hour test, the reading after 120 minutes of pumping will be the same as the 0 minutes of recovery. Under no circumstance will the recovery interval be less than the pumping interval.

Flow rate during the aquifer test should be measured and recorded with the maximum accuracy possible. Ideally, a water meter with an accuracy of better than $\pm 1\%$ displaying instantaneous and total flow should be used. If a water meter is not available, then the time required to completely fill a container of known volume should be recorded, noting the time to the nearest 0.5 seconds or better. Flow rate should be determined and recorded often to ensure a constant pumping rate.



Groundwater samples should be collected as soon as possible after the start of pumping and within 10 minutes of the end of pumping. Initially only the groundwater samples collected near the end of the pumping interval need to be submitted to the accredited laboratory for analysis. All samples must be properly stored for transportation to the laboratory and, in the case of the bacteriological analysis, there is a maximum time allowed between the time the sample is collected and the time the sample is delivered to the laboratory. The first samples collected are only analyzed if there is a problem or a concern with the first samples submitted to the laboratory.

Procedure

Site Diagrams

These diagrams are a map showing the distance to nearby significant features. This would include things like a corner of a building (house, barn, garage etc.) or the distance to the half-mile or mile fence. The description should allow anyone not familiar with the site to be able to unequivocally identify the water well that was tested.

In lieu of a map, UTM coordinates accurate to within five metres would be acceptable. If a hand-held GPS is used, the post-processing correction details must be provided.

Surface Details

The type of surface completion must be noted. This will include such things as a pitless adapter, well pit, pump house, in basement, etc. Also, the reference point used for measuring water levels needs to be noted. This would include top of casing (TOC) XX metres above ground level; well pit lid, XX metres above TOC; TOC in well pit XX metres below ground level.

Groundwater Discharge Point

Where was the flow of groundwater discharge regulated? For example was the discharge through a hydrant downstream from the pressure tank; discharged directly to ground either by connecting directly above the well seal or by pulling the pump up out of the pitless adapter; from a tap on the house downstream from the pressure tank? Also note must be made if any action was taken to ensure the pump would operate continuously during the pumping interval and whether the groundwater was passing through any water-treatment equipment before the discharge point.

Water-Level Measurements

How were the water-level measurements obtained? If obtained using a contact gauge, what type of cable was on the tape, graduated tape or a tape with tags? If a tape with tags, when was the; last time the tags were calibrated? If a graduated tape, what is the serial number of the tape and is the tape shorter than its original length (i.e. is any tape missing)?

If water levels are obtained using a transducer and data logger, the serial numbers of both transducer and data logger are needed and a copy of the calibration sheet. The additional information required is the depth the transducer was set and the length of time between when the transducer was installed and when the calibration water level was measured, plus the length of time between the installation of the transducer and the start of the aquifer test.

