

## Summary of BMP's

Treatment	Distribution
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Efforts to reduce lead (incl. pH adjustment)</li> <li>2. Algal blooms (record inspections, plan for hit, ways to reduce, consider continual monitoring data)</li> <li>3. Optimizing treatment processes to reduce chemical and/or water consumption</li> <li>4. Sign off on chemical deliveries (by operator) to ensure safe handling and proper offloading (or SOP)</li> <li>5. CT calc – how to do</li> <li>6. Filter efficiency – how monitor</li> <li>7. How are calibrations scheduled?</li> <li>8. Are verifications performed regularly</li> <li>9. What process sampling program is in place?</li> <li>10. Redundancy (equipment and/or treatment train)</li> <li>11. Preventative maintenance program</li> <li>12. Emergency equipment and alarm testing</li> <li>13. Use work orders to assign and track maintenance activities</li> <li>14. Implement process to track changes to plant manuals</li> <li>15. Frequent data collection to enable operational trending</li> <li>16. Set alarm thresholds to alarm before regulatory limit has been reached to allow for action to be completed</li> <li>17. Document all corrective actions taken when responding to an alarm</li> <li>18. Create SOPs for tasks (e.g. cleaning clear well)</li> <li>19. Continuous monitoring of turbidity on SCADA</li> <li>20. Ensure liquid chlorine is in spill containment</li> <li>21. Keep records of calibration/verification in close proximity to the equipment so it can be easily referred to</li> <li>22. Collect more samples than required</li> <li>23. Set CCLs in excess of regulatory requirements</li> <li>24. Establish timelines for completing work orders and track</li> <li>25. Intake inspections and cleaning</li> <li>26. In house lab tests</li> <li>27. Operator training in procedures</li> <li>28. Extra process sampling in plant</li> <li>29. Condition assessments/capital projects</li> <li>30.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How do you communicate DWWP/MDWL to contractors?</li> <li>2. Provide WM commissioning plans to staff to oversee commissioning</li> <li>3. Review WM commissioning documents to ensure completed properly</li> <li>4. Dead end flushing/uni-directional flushing</li> <li>5. Preventative maintenance schedules (hydrants, valves etc.)</li> <li>6. Residual management</li> <li>7. Leak detection</li> <li>8. Sampling at best locations for HAAs, THMs and NDMA's</li> <li>9. Discoloured water/aesthetic objective tracking</li> <li>10. Backflow prevention by-law</li> <li>11. Hydrant maintenance program/dip testing</li> <li>12. Pipe assessments/asset management</li> <li>13. GIS accuracy/updates</li> <li>14. Water meter replacements</li> <li>15. Install auto flushers for dead ends</li> <li>16. Valve exercising program</li> <li>17. Verify that Form 1s match work completed</li> <li>18. Rotate sample locations (don't sample the same locations all the time)</li> <li>19. Ensure staff have access to up-to-date maps and plans</li> <li>20. If analyzers are used in the distribution system, record the daily max and min values in addition to the average daily value</li> <li>21. Chlorine analyzer maintenance and calibration</li> <li>22. Encourage certificate upgrades</li> <li>23. Hydrant use by-law</li> <li>24. Customer complaint response (timely and proper response) – and tracking of common cause events</li> <li>25. Operator training in maintenance procedures</li> <li>26. Ensure FAC collected with bactis</li> <li>27. Lead sampling status/exemption/results</li> <li>28. Pressure maintenance/CCP limits</li> <li>29. Secondary disinfection – grabs vs. analyzer (process vs. compliance) or sample both as redundancy</li> </ol>

Log Books/Recordkeeping	Security and Contingency
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How do you record out-of-service equipment in log book</li> <li>2. Maintaining accurate records during transition from paper to electronic logs</li> <li>3. Provide training to staff on what information to record and how to record it to promote consistency</li> <li>4. Implement system to ensure operators are accessing/using most current form</li> <li>5. Log book review to ensure all tasks are being completed and documented</li> <li>6. Log book protection at remote sites</li> <li>7. Electronic log book access and protection</li> <li>8. Electronic log book back ups – how access in event of cyber attack/internet failure etc.</li> <li>9. Record retention requirements</li> <li>10. Aligning retention times (municipal by-laws vs. Ministry requirements)</li> <li>11. Moving to digital log books</li> <li>12. Track changes and revision history in SOPs (how long is too long to keep in revision history? i.e. do need to track 10 years worth of revisions, or just the past few years?)</li> <li>13. Frequency of data collection/logbook info</li> <li>14. Where hard copy log books are stored and for how long</li> <li>15. Ensure handwritten logs are legible</li> <li>16. Chronological entries</li> <li>17. Routine audits/checks of log book entries</li> <li>18. Establish review period for documents/records to help keep them up-to-date</li> <li>19. Maintain a signature page to have a record of each operator’s signature and initials</li> <li>20. Ensure policies are defined and communicated</li> <li>21. Ensure ORO/OIC is recorded and communicated</li> <li>22. Track on call and call out records</li> <li>23. Ensure all directions from ORO are recorded in log book</li> <li>24. Electronic maintenance program</li> <li>25. Measures to prevent data falsification</li> <li>26. Access to historical records (e.g. log books, lab reports etc)</li> <li>27. OIT oversight (documenting who provided direction to OIT)</li> <li>28. Decommissioning damaged logbooks</li> <li>29. Procedure for late entry/log addendum</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Have SCADA on it’s own server</li> <li>2. Not allowed to connect devices (i.e. no USB connections) to the plant computers</li> <li>3. Require multifactor identification</li> <li>4. Test cybersecurity with “attacks” (vulnerability assessment)</li> <li>5. Password updating</li> <li>6. Back up chemical suppliers/ensure have enough chemical</li> <li>7. Service agreements for essential supplies</li> <li>8. Building locks/security protocols (i.e. restricted access, cameras)</li> <li>9. Regular emergency scenarios to test emergency plan</li> <li>10. Back up plan for staffing shortages (i.e. pandemic, work stoppage)</li> <li>11. Process to ensure former employees no longer have access to computer systems nor to facilities</li> <li>12. Cybersecurity awareness training for all staff</li> <li>13. Intrusion alarms for facilities</li> <li>14. Plan in place in the event of a cyber attack (IT systems, SCADA backups)</li> <li>15. Fencing around sites and posted signs</li> <li>16. Join ONWARN and/or arrange for emergency back up from other municipalities</li> <li>17. Regular patrol of all facilities, especially remote buildings/sample stations/well sites to ensure locked and secure</li> <li>18. Provide training to staff on how to do work manually in event of a cyber security breach (i.e. where record data, where access hard copy procedures etc.)</li> <li>19. Use VPN to access computer systems</li> <li>20. Equipment redundancies</li> <li>21. Skill/expertise redundancy (e.g. cross-training)</li> <li>22. External hard drive to back up systems/documents</li> <li>23. Visitor sign in</li> <li>24. How many people have access to the system?</li> </ol>

Storage	Planning and Management
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Frequency of cleaning and inspections for water storage infrastructure</li> <li>2. What is inspected?</li> <li>3. Required/recommended storage capacity</li> <li>4. Key performance indicators and action steps</li> <li>5. Sufficient security at storage facilities (fencing, locks, restricted access etc)</li> <li>6. Condition of storage asset and lifecycle planning</li> <li>7. How do you ensure and monitor residuals within the storage asset? (water age)</li> <li>8. How do you ensure adequate power /utility to the storage facility for monitoring purposes</li> <li>9. Inspection plans</li> <li>10. Plans for winter cycling of full cycles in towers to prevent freezing/ice accumulation (SOP)</li> <li>11. Check air vents – free of obstructions and proper screen sizing on vents to stop insects etc.</li> <li>12. Regular checks of reservoir hatches to ensure secure and locked</li> <li>13. Ensure groundwater is not entering the reservoir</li> <li>14. Not permitting fertilizer/pesticide use around reservoir (i.e. if public park located on reservoir, or adjacent to, don't allow Parks department to spray fertilizer/pesticides)</li> <li>15. Ensure adequate storage for fire protection</li> <li>16. Create SOPs for inspection/maintenance tasks (e.g. inspection and cleaning)</li> <li>17. If DBP are an issue, extra monitoring of storage</li> <li>18. Regular checks of cathodic protection</li> <li>19. Routine checks of pumps</li> <li>20. Collect more samples than required</li> <li>21. Online monitors and re-chlorination</li> <li>22. Offline condition assessments</li> <li>23. Annual backflow device inspections</li> <li>24. Ensure conformance with AWWA standards</li> <li>25. Efforts to reduce DBP</li> <li>26.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Considerations/long term planning for future growth</li> <li>2. Operator retention/sufficient staffing</li> <li>3. How plan for infrastructure replacement</li> <li>4. Backup QMS Rep</li> <li>5. Emergency line/number for residents</li> <li>6. Annual reports provided to council</li> <li>7. Upper management financial plans/asset management</li> <li>8. How do you plan to have competent people in appropriate roles-succession planning? How verify competency?</li> <li>9. ORO/On call staffing arrangements, including back ups</li> <li>10. Emergency plans in place</li> <li>11. Plan to ensure adequate staffing in high turnover situations</li> <li>12. Prepare 10 year capital budget</li> <li>13. Track water loss</li> <li>14. Capacity assessments</li> <li>15. Master Servicing Plan</li> <li>16. Risk assessment</li> <li>17. Water use study</li> <li>18. Water conservation initiatives</li> <li>19. Create SOP for operator ethics</li> <li>20. Standard of Care training for councillors/top management</li> <li>21. Infrastructure review – track action items and consider in budget</li> <li>22. Set up schedules and reminders (e.g. sampling, maintenance etc)</li> <li>23. Follow AWWA standard for system management</li> <li>24. Procedures for how to communicate to public during water emergency</li> <li>25. Operator monitoring (GPS, cameras, security, logs of entry/exit) to verify sampling activities</li> <li>26. Operator calibration/auditing (baseline competency requirements, training, skills)</li> <li>27. Documenting change/change management</li> <li>28. Organizational chart adjustments</li> <li>29. Budget/infrastructure plans/status of projects (does project address needs/priorities of system, BMPs)</li> <li>30. Define roles/responsibilities outside of immediate department (top management, engineering/planning, council)</li> <li>31. Implementation of action items from management review/action item status and assignment</li> </ol>

## Accreditation Suggestions/Improvements:

- Timing – overlap with MECP Inspection, pushed back with Accreditation Body
- Transition challenge, changing hands - Scope, \$
- Open-minded, understand process, being prepared
- Helpful auditor feedback
- Unexpected price increase
- Certificate delay
- A.B change – communicated to clients, schedule changes
- More options
- Auditor rotation
- Terms and conditions – municipality has to sign
- Owner change challenges – multiple quotes, all different
- Pricing inconsistencies between bodies
- Communication between A/Band their contract auditors
- Accreditation certificates – not being issued timely
- Good auditor, knowledgeable
- Schedule, chasing to get
- Timing of audit, not done before expiry
- Communication – response
- Certificate issuance
- Helpful auditors
- Auditor flexibility
- Transparent auditor – no surprises
- Stay in scope
- Audit calibration
- Audit lengths – standardize (ie. Process – 2-day/3-day)
- Accreditation transparency (\$, expectations)
- Procurement
- Auditor rotation
- Switch up auditors
- Admin changes to accreditation
- Contact changes
- Limited system audit when change OA
- Limited scope – change of OA ~ change of contact, get accreditation quickly to remain compliant, new OA ~ emeg accreditation
- Align accreditation cycle with MDWL/DWWP cycle, desktop every other year
- Auditor stay in scope
- Inconsistency between auditors
- Some auditors are persistent when asking for things even if they are not required
- More ability to select vendor
- Input into scheduling of audits
- Auditors making NC out of things that aren't really NC. (ie. Not having management review completed before the external audit)
- Consider a 5-year cycle
- Recognition of different systems
- Not enough auditors for flexible scheduling
- Operating Authority in some smaller systems distribution group is not always clear
- Have to spend a lot of time explaining how the system works to auditors
- What is the purpose of the different types of audits?