

Summary of Comment Sheets Received Following July 10, 2010 Public Meeting
Water and Sewage Works Study
Addendum Process No. 3

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All persons submitting comment sheets, as received to date, have been only entitled one count (For, Against or Undecided), even if the author of the comment sheets submitted multiple comment sheets. Multiple comment sheets from singular addresses have been included provided a person submitted a separate comment sheet.

A total of 280 comment sheets (after multiple comment sheets were deducted) have been received to date and contribute to the following summary.

Comment sheets were categorized as either:

- For
- Against
- Undecided

Undecided comment sheets include those comment sheets that did not clearly express support for or against the installation of sewers in Sauble Beach.

The results are as follows:

- For: 166
- Against: 75
- Undecided: 39

For each category, frequently expressed points of concern have also be examined and counted.

For

Of the 166 "for" communal sewer system votes, there were 97 comment sheets that explicitly expressed a preferred servicing option of those given (1 through 5). They are as follows:

1. Option 1: 6
2. Option 2: 0
3. Option 3: 31
4. Option 4: 6
5. Option 5: 54

An additional 45 comment sheets expressed other servicing option preferences including first and second choices. The commonly expressed options are as follows:

- Option 1 completed now, with expansion to Option 3 later: 1
- Option 3 completed now, with expansion to Option 4 or 5 later: 3
- Option 3 preferred: 16
- Option 3 as second preference: 4
- Option 4 preferred: 10
- Option 4 as second preference: 2
- Option 5 preferred: 15
- Option 5 as second preference: 8
- Option 1 or 2 as second preference: 1
- Option 3, 4 or 5: 15

Of those in favour of a sewage system, some comment sheets also expressed interest in sewage treatment plant location.

Votes For: Site 1: 1
 Site 2: 0
 Site 3: 24
 Site 3 preferred, Site 2 second preference: 11

Votes Against: Site 1: 36
 Site 2: 0
 Site 3: 0

The following are the common concerns amongst those in favour of the communal sewage system:

- Concern that project need is inadequate or unclear: 1
- Request septic system inspections: 7
- Concern regarding cost and/or payment plans: 27
- Concern regarding proposed pump station at 6th Street North and Lakeshore Avenue: 4
- Discharge into the Sauble River: 2
- Plan favours campground/business and developers: 6
- Potential effect on groundwater supply and quality: 3
- Potential effect on dune ecosystem: 1
- More study is required to determine effects of implementation: 3
- Dialogue/involvement with First Nations is necessary: 10
- Call for referendum: 1

Against

Of the 75 comment sheets in opposition to the proposed communal sewer system, the frequently discussed reasons for concern are as follows:

- Concern regarding cost: 54
- Concern regarding accuracy of cost estimates: 14
- Concern regarding discharge into the Sauble River/Lake Huron: 20
- Plan favours development, campgrounds and/or businesses: 10
- Mandatory connection: 7
- Feel pollution is not an issue in Sauble Beach and/or implementation of sewer system with no reduced pollution: 6
- Unclear need/goal for the sewer system: 27
- More study is required to determine if there is a need and/or effects of sewer system implementation: 7
- Prefers implementation of septic system monitoring program: 30
- Call for referendum: 7
- Call for provision of additional alternate options: 17
- Environmental concerns (dune ecosystem, sensitive species, etc.): 10
- Call for First Nations involvement: 2
- Should project proceed, no to sewage treatment site #1: 1
- Should project proceed, prefer larger servicing area than that provided by Option #1: 1

Undecided

Of the 39 "undecided" comment sheets, several indicated the following preferred servicing options:

- Option 1: 4
- Option 2: 0
- Option 3: 0

- Option 4: 1
- Option 5: 0
- Option 1 or 2 only: 2

Common concerns regarding the sewer system expressed in comment sheets as “undecided” are as follows:

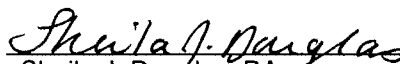
- Concern regarding cost: 23
- Concern regarding accuracy of cost estimates: 2
- More study to determine need and effects of implementation: 8
- Question project need and/or goal: 13
- Discharge of treated effluent into the Sauble River: 10
- Proposed Sixth Street North and Lake Shore Street pumping station: 2
- Groundwater supply and quality: 2
- Health and preservation of dune ecosystem: 2
- Other environmental impacts (i.e. pharmaceutical and emissions): 3
- Sewage treatment odour: 3
- Plans favour developers, campgrounds and/or business: 6
- Call for additional options for pollution prevention/control: 3
- Concern that leachate from private systems is not the cause of water pollution: 5
- Call for referendum: 4
- Request dialogue with and involvement from the First Nations: 4
- Prefer septic system inspection either to determine project need or in place of the communal wastewater system: 10
- Should project proceed, does not want river and/or lake discharge: 9
- Should project proceed, does not want sewage treatment plant site #1: 1
- Should project proceed, does not want sewage treatment plant site #3: 1
- Should project proceed, prefers sewage treatment plant site #1: 1
- Should project proceed, prefers sewage treatment plant site #2: 1
- Should project proceed, prefers sewage treatment plant site #3: 1
- Should project proceed, prefer servicing Option 1: 4
- Should project proceed, prefer servicing Option 4: 1
- Should project proceed, prefer servicing Option 3 to 5: 1

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