

Summary of Comment Sheets Received Following October 9, 2010 Public Meeting
Water and Sewage Works Study
Addendum Process No. 3

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Comment Sheets received to date (following the October 9th, 2010 Public Meeting) have been reviewed. The following summary has been prepared to present the major issues and comments that were observed when reviewing the Comment Sheets. The comments have been numerically assessed considering only one (1) Comment Sheet per property, as indicated at the Public Meeting on October 9th, 2010 and on the Comment Sheet Form.

A total of 370 comment sheets have been received to date, including multiple comments per property.

A total of 361 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:

- In favour of a communal sewer system in Sauble Beach
- Against a communal sewer system in Sauble Beach
- Undecided/Unclear

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

Every attempt has been made to accurately summarize the comment sheets. It should be noted that this summary is not a vote on the project, it is only an attempt to condense and summarize the comment sheets received to date following the Public Meeting on October 9th, 2010.

The results are as follows:

- In Favour: 38
- Against: 286
- Unclear: 37

While a large number of the comment sheets were against the project, comments would indicate that if additional funding were obtained to reduce the connection costs, it is likely that there would be more support for proceeding with a sanitary servicing option.

For each category, frequently expressed points of concern have also be examined and summarized as follows:

In Favour

Of the 39 "In Favour" communal sewer system comments, there were 22 comment sheets that explicitly expressed a preferred servicing option of those given (Options 1 through 5/5A). They are as follows:

1. Option 1: 4
2. Option 2: 1
3. Option 3-5: 2
4. Option 4: 0
5. Option 5/5A: 15

Approximately 20 of the “In Favour” comments also indicated that more funding is needed for the project to reduce the connection costs to the public.

Against

Of the 286 comment sheets in opposition to the proposed communal sewer system, the major reasons for concern are as follows:

- Concern regarding high costs/lack of adequate government funding: 133
- More study is required of potential problem(s) to determine if there is a need and/or effects of sewer system implementation: 98
- Prefers implementation of septic system monitoring program: 76
- First Nations must be involved in project : 23

Undecided/Unclear

Of the 37 “unclear” comment sheets, major comments/concerns are as follows:

- Concern regarding high costs/lack of adequate government funding: 21
- More study is required of potential problem(s) to determine if there is a need and/or effects of sewer system implementation: 15
- First Nations must be involved in project : 4

Summary of Major Issues – All Comment Sheets

Of the 361 Comment Sheets summarized, a total of 174 comments were received indicating that the costs proposed for the project are too high and/or more government funding needs to be obtained for the project (if it were to proceed). If additional funding were obtained to reduce the connection costs, it is likely that more of the public would be supportive of proceeding with a sanitary servicing option.

A total of 113 comment sheets were received which recommended that more research and studies are required. A total of 27 comment sheets noted that the First Nations lands adjacent to the project area need to be involved in the project.

It should be noted that there are many other comments/issues discussed in the Comment Sheets. However, the scope of this review was primarily to numerically analyze major issues.

All of the comments and concerns received via the comment sheets (such as location of pumping stations, effluent discharge location, etc.) will be reviewed in detail by Genivar and the Town of South Bruce Peninsula, even though these other issues/comments are not described in the above summary.

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