
Halifax Landfill 2044 Branch Road Halifax, Vermont

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FALL 2018 SEMI-ANNUAL WATER QUALITY MONITORING REPORT

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Introduction

KAS, Inc. (KAS) conducted a semi-annual water quality monitoring event on October 23, 2018 at the Halifax Landfill (Site Location Map and Site Map in Appendix A). A groundwater sample was collected from monitoring well MW-3 and analyzed for perfluorinated compounds (PFCs) via EPA Method 537 (short list). The October 2018 sampling effort was conducted in accordance with the current landfill certification. The sample was field analyzed for temperature, pH, and specific conductance using a properly calibrated YSI® Pro Multi-Meter. The depth to water was gauged using a Geotech™ water level indicator.

Results

Field measurements

Depth to water in MW-3 was measured at 5.62 feet below top of casing (btoc). The water temperature was 9.7 degrees Celsius and a pH value of 6.53 standard units was recorded at the time of sampling. The depth to water, temperature and pH measurements recorded are within range of historical measurements. A specific conductance reading of 160.7 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ was noted at the time of sampling and is within range of historical fluctuations. Field measurement data is tabulated in Appendix B.

Laboratory results

Analytical testing indicated the presence of several PFCs in the groundwater sample collected from MW-3. A combined concentration of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS) and perfluoroheptanoic acid in MW-3 was reported at 140.6 nanograms per liter (ng/l) which exceeds the Vermont Groundwater Enforcement Standard (VGES) of 20 ng/l. No PFCs were detected above laboratory method detection limits in the trip blank sample. Current and historical analytical data is tabulated in Appendix B and a copy of the laboratory report is provided in Appendix C.

PFC concentrations at MW-3 decreased compared to the previous sampling in May 2018. The data set is still limited and fluctuations in PFC concentrations continue over time. While an overall increasing trend appears apparent based on the linear trend R-square value (See Graph in Appendix B), a statistically significant trend has not been established. The figure on page 2 (Figure 1) is the concentration of total PFCs in MW-3 over time using a concentration linear trend generated by the Groundwater Spatio-Temporal Data Analysis Tool (GWSDAT Version 2.12). The solid green line shows the trend estimate and the dashed green lines are the 95% confidence intervals. The statistical significance of this trend is assessed using the Mann-Kendall trend test. If the Mann-Kendall p-value is below 0.05, then the estimated trend is statistically significantly different from 0, meaning that there is a trend within the data (GWSDAT User Manual v2.12). The Mann-Kendall p-value for MW-3 is 0.452; which is above 0.05, indicating a statistically relevant trend could not be established.

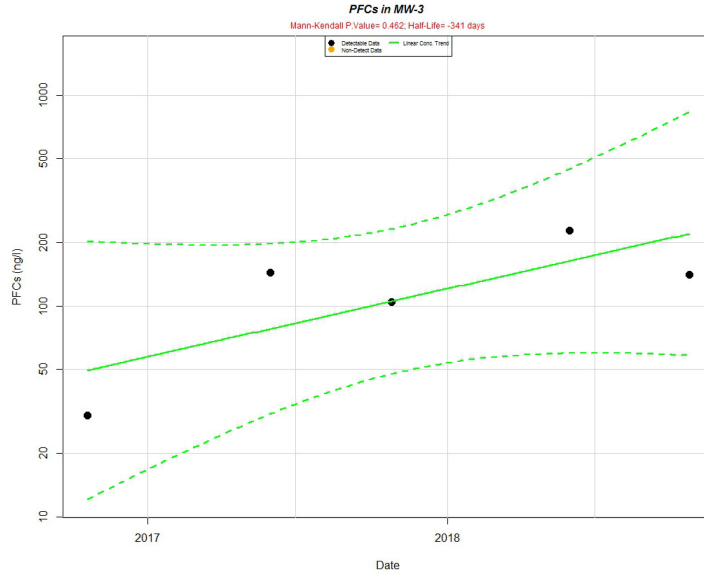


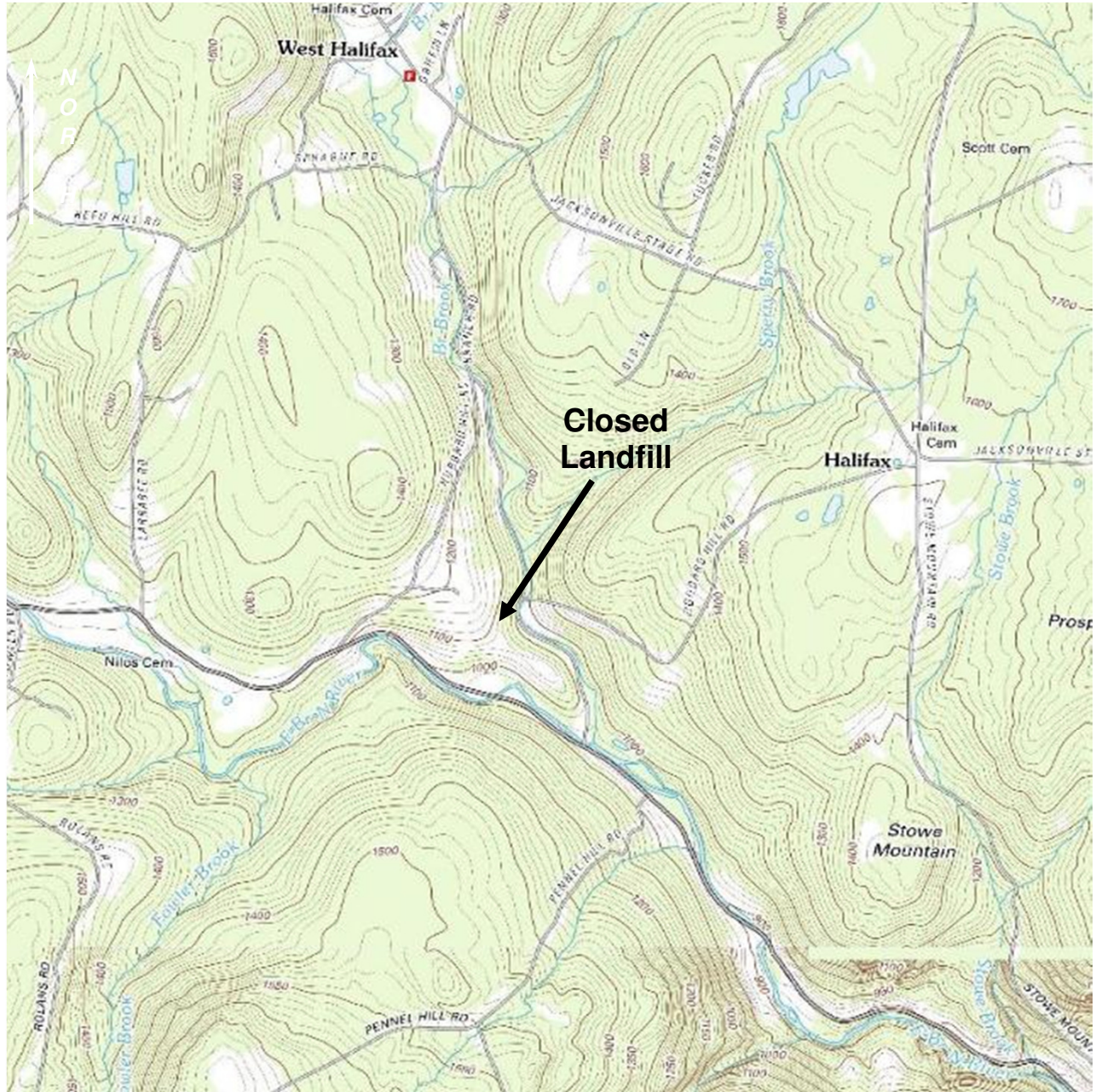
Figure 1. Total PFC concentration trend for monitoring wells MW-3

A seasonal correlation between PFC levels and depth to groundwater remains unclear; however, lower PFC concentrations are apparent during fall sampling events. The next groundwater monitoring event is scheduled to occur in May 2019.



APPENDIX A

Site Location Map and Site Map



KAS Job Number: 610110045

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TOWN OF HALIFAX CLOSED LANDFILL
2044 Branch Road, Halifax, VT

Site Location Map

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MONITORING WELL



SURFACE WATER SAMPLE

* monitoring well and surface water locations are approximate



HALIFAX CLOSED LANDFILL

2044 Branch Road, Halifax, VT

SITE MAP

VTDEC Project: NS95-0165
 KAS Job Number: 610110045
 Source: Google Earth

Date: 07/31/17

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APPENDIX B

Historical Sampling Data



GROUNDWATER QUALITY SUMMARY

HALIFAX LANDFILL
HALIFAX, VT

MW-3

Parameter (PPM unless noted)	VGES	PAL	SAMPLING DATE:																
			Aug-93	Dec-95	May-96	Nov-96	May-97	Oct-97	May-98	Oct-98	May-99	Oct-99	May-00	Dec-00	Oct-01	Jan-02	Jun-02	Dec-02	Jun-03
pH**	change of 1 ph unit		6.4	6.27	6.1	6.1	6.4	6.3	6.2	5.8	6.2	6	6.6	6.5	6.5	nt	6.5	6.6	6.7
Conductivity (µS/cm)**	change of 100 µS/cm		328	440	600	610	530	380	480	280	340	390	520	500	320	nt	nt	360	430
COD**	change of 25 ppm		6.9	ND<0.5	22	16	16	18	10	20	20	10	20	10	10	nt	30	20	20
Chloride*	250 125		14	27	29	26	20	1	17	8	14	ND<1	18	17	8	nt	15	10	12
Sodium* [§] ** (change of 10 ppm)	250	125	nt	23	28	27	23	15	18	11	14	nt	21	16	13	nt	39	11	16
Ca Hardness**	change of 100	NA	nt	230	nt	230	160	220	120	150	190	230	190	130	nt	nt	130	220	220
Dissolved Chromium	0.1	0.05	nt	ND<0.05	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.003	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.004	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	0.005	0.004	nt	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Dissolved Copper	1.3	0.65	nt	ND<0.05	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.03	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.02	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.01	0.02	0.002	nt	0.003	0.001	0.002
Dissolved Iron*	0.3	0.15	0.06	nt	ND<0.05	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	0.18	nt	nt
Dissolved Manganese*	0.05	0.025	ND<0.02	ND<0.05	ND<0.005	0.046	0.22	0.075	0.38	0.45	0.21	0.067	0.12	0.28	0.015	nt	0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.005
Dissolved Nickel	0.1	0.05	nt	ND<0.05	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	nt	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.002	nt	0.003	ND<0.001	0.001
Dissolved Zinc*	5	2.5	nt	ND<0.05	0.07	0.057	0.095	0.015	0.058	0.042	0.013	0.015	0.014	0.024	0.24	nt	0.23	0.084	0.2
Dissolved Arsenic	0.05	0.005	nt	ND<0.010	ND<0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.003	nt	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Dissolved Cadmium	0.005	0.0025	nt	ND<0.005	ND<0.0005	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	nt	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	nt	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Dissolved Lead	0.015	0.005	nt	ND<0.005	ND<0.001	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.01	ND<0.001	nt	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001
Calcium	NA	NA	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	2.3	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt
Methylene Chloride	0.005	0.0005	ND<10	ND<2	ND<2	ND<2	ND<2	nt	ND<2	nt	nt	ND<5	nt	nt	nt	ND<5	nt	1600 ^E	560

Parameter (PPM unless noted)	VGES	PAL	SAMPLING DATE:																
			11/3/03	6/17/04	10/28/04	12/1/05	5/6/06	10/6/06	5/7/07	10/7/07	5/8/08	10/24/08	5/15/09	10/22/09	5/10/10	10/13/10	5/25/11	10/26/11	5/8/12
pH**	change of 1 ph unit		6.1	6.1	ns	ns	nt	6.63	5.67	6.41	6.41	6.78	6.59	NR	6.15	6.49	6.03	6.63	6.70
Conductivity (µS/cm) **	change of 100 µS/cm		450	420	ns	ns	nt	391	329	128	128	413	92	108	83.4	223.3	83.8	387.6	599
Temperature (degrees C)	change of 5.6 deg C		nt	nt	ns	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	10.9	11.7
Depth to Water (feet btoc)	NA	NA	nt	nt	ns	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	4.60	4.41
COD**	change of 25 ppm		10	20	ns	ns	121	60	ND<10	50	10	<10	28	290	29	27	11	18	nt
Chloride*	250 125		12	12	ns	ns	1460	1	10	6	9	7	2.8	6.2	ND<2.5	5.7	4.3	12	6.2
Sodium* [§] ** (change of 10 ppm)	250	125	17	28	ns	ns	17.6	ND<5	15	ND<5	16	13	2.3	2.7	1.9	10	2	12	13
Ca Hardness**	change of 100	NA	170	180	ns	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt
Dissolved Chromium	0.1	0.05	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ns	ns	ND<0.002	ND<0.001	0.004	ND<0.001	0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	nt
Dissolved Copper	1.3	0.65	0.001	0.002	ns	ns	ND<0.05	0.002	0.01	0.002	0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.020	nt
Dissolved Iron*	0.3	0.15	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	ns	ns	0.35	0.1	3.6	0.08	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	0.17	0.88	0.1	0.11	0.2	ND<0.020	ND<0.020
Dissolved Manganese*	0.05	0.025	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ns	ns	0.05	0.006	0.079	0.007	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.02	0.15	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.020	ND<0.020
Dissolved Nickel	0.1	0.05	ND<0.001	0.002	ns	ns	ND<0.05	0.003	0.007	0.003	0.005	0.004	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	nt
Dissolved Zinc*	5	2.5	0.078	0.13	ns	ns	ND<0.01	0.047	0.045	0.033	0.013	0.007	ND<0.02	ND<0.02	ND<0.005	ND<0.005	0.007	ND<0.020	nt
Dissolved Arsenic	0.05	0.005	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ns	ns	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.020	nt
Dissolved Cadmium	0.005	0.0025	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ns	ns	ND<0.0005	ND<0.0005	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	ND<0.002	nt
Dissolved Lead	0.015	0.005	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ns	ns	ND<0.002	ND<0.001	0.003	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	ND<0.001	nt
Calcium	NA	AN	nt	nt	ns	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt
Methylene Chloride	0.005	0.0005	ND<5	ND<5	ns	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt

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	= exceeds PAL
	= exceeds VGES
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GROUNDWATER QUALITY SUMMARY

HALIFAX LANDFILL
HALIFAX, VT

MW-3 (continued)

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			10/9/12	5/30/13	10/16/13	5/15/14	10/21/14	5/28/15	10/29/15	May-16	10/19/16	5/30/2017	10/25/2017	5/30/2018	10/23/2018				
pH**	change of 1 ph unit		6.06	6.71	6.09	6.05	5.73	6.56	6.71	ns	nt	7.04	6.51	6.55	6.53				
Conductivity (µS/cm)**	change of 100 µs/cm		293	215.6	625	358.1	187	376	340.6	ns	nt	470.7	500	388	160.7				
Temperature (degrees C)	change of 5.6 deg C		11.5	15.7	11.3	12.5	13.2	10.7	13.0	ns	nt	9.9	13.2	10.9	9.7				
Depth to Water (feet btoc)	NA	NA	5.63	4.38	5.49	5.23	5.34	5.55	4.51	ns	nt	6.87	5.07	4.85	6.50	5.62			
COD**	change of 25 ppm		nt	22	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Chloride*	250	125	19	12	6.5	5.7	6.7	4.5	52	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Sodium* & ** (change of 10 ppm)	250	125	12	13	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Chromium	0.1	0.05	nt	ND<0.005	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Copper	1.3	0.65	nt	ND<0.020	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Iron*	0.3	0.15	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	0.030	0.086	0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Manganese*	0.05	0.025	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ND<0.020	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Nickel	0.1	0.05	nt	ND<0.005	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Zinc*	5	2.5	nt	ND<0.020	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
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Dissolved Cadmium	0.005	0.0025	nt	ND<0.002	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Dissolved Lead	0.015	0.0015	nt	ND<0.001	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt			
Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)***	NA	NA	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	ND<11	ND<6.6	ND<6.6	3.75	ND<6.6				
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)***			nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	ND<3.8	11.7	9.2	13.1	12.3				
Perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)***			nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	2.06	22	13.2	41.2	15.1				
Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)***	20	10	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	11.5	78.2	44.9	134	76.8				
Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)***			nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	16.7	32.1	37	33.3	36.4				
Perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)***			nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	nt	ns	ND<2.3	ND<1.5	ND<1.5	1.9	ND<1.5				

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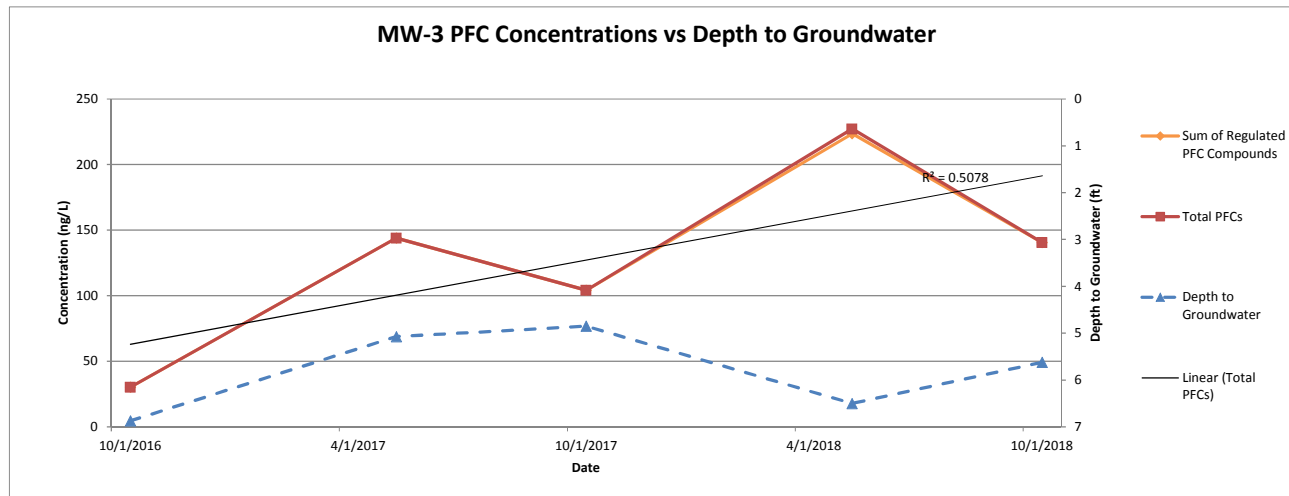
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	= exceeds PAL, at time of sampling
	= exceeds VGES, at time of sampling
	= exceeds max acceptable change, at time of sampling





APPENDIX C

Laboratory Report

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ANALYTICAL REPORT

WDNR Laboratory ID No. 721026460
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 EPA Laboratory ID No. WI00034

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Project: Halifax Landfill

MW-3 NLS ID: 1089621

COC: 222515:1 Matrix: DW

Collected: 10/23/18 10:10 Received: 10/26/18

Parameter	Result	Units	Dilution	LOD	LOQ/MCL	Analyzed	Method	Lab
Perfluorinated Chemicals by EPA Method 537 Rev 1.1	see attached					11/03/18	EPA 537 Rev 1.1	721026460
Solid Phase Extraction by EPA Method 537	yes					11/01/18	EPA 537	721026460

Trip blank NLS ID: 1089622

COC: 222515:1 Matrix: FB

Collected: 10/23/18 10:04 Received: 10/26/18

Parameter	Result	Units	Dilution	LOD	LOQ	Analyzed	Method	Lab
Perfluorinated Chemicals by EPA Method 537 Rev 1.1	see attached					11/02/18	EPA 537 Rev 1.1	721026460
Solid Phase Extraction by EPA Method 537	yes					11/01/18	EPA 537	721026460

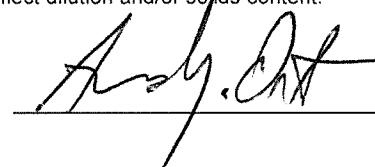
Values in brackets represent results greater than or equal to the LOD but less than the LOQ and are within a region of "Less-Certain Quantitation". Results greater than or equal to the LOQ are considered to be in the region of "Certain Quantitation". LOD and/or LOQ tagged with an asterisk(*) are considered Reporting Limits. All LOD/LOQs adjusted to reflect dilution and/or solids content.

ND = Not Detected (< LOD) LOD = Limit of Detection LOQ = Limit of Quantitation NA = Not Applicable

DWB = Dry Weight Basis %DWB = (mg/kg DWB) / 10000 1000 ug/L = 1 mg/L

MCL = Maximum Contaminant Levels for Drinking Water Samples. Shaded results indicate >MCL.

Reviewed by:



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ANALYTICAL RESULTS: Perfluorinated Chemicals by EPA 537 Rev 1.1 Safe Drinking Water Analysis

Customer: KAS NLS Project: 311391 PO # 610110045

Project Description: Halifax Landfill

Project Title: Template: 537PPT Printed: 12/17/2018 11:39

Sample: 1089621 MW-3 Collected: 10/23/18 Analyzed: 11/03/18 - Analytes: 6

ANALYTE NAME	RESULT	UNITS WWB	DIL	LOD	LOQ	MCL	Note
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)	ND	ppt	1	6.6	21		
perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	15.1	ppt	1	0.80	2.6		
perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	12.3	ppt	1	2.8	8.8		
perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	76.8	ppt	1	1.2	3.9		
perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ND	ppt	1	1.5	4.9		
perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	36.4	ppt	1	1.7	5.3		
C13-PFHxA (SURR)	70.465%		1				S
C13-PFDA (SURR)	72.006%		1				S

NOTES APPLICABLE TO THIS ANALYSIS:

S = This compound is a surrogate used to evaluate the quality control of a method.

Sample: 1089622 Trip blank Collected: 10/23/18 Analyzed: 11/02/18 - Analytes: 6

ANALYTE NAME	RESULT	UNITS WWB	DIL	LOD	LOQ	MCL	Note
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)	ND	ppt	1	6.6	21		
perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)	ND	ppt	1	0.80	2.6		
perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)	ND	ppt	1	2.8	8.8		
perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	ND	ppt	1	1.2	3.9		
perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA)	ND	ppt	1	1.5	4.9		
perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)	ND	ppt	1	1.7	5.3		
C13-PFHxA (SURR)	99.759%		1				S
C13-PFDA (SURR)	109.45%		1				S

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The PFOA branch isotope peak is included in the PFOA calculation per EPA directive.

