

2024 ANNUAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM SUMMARY REPORT

Ingersoll Wastewater Treatment Plant

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Oxford County (the County) prepares a report summarizing wastewater treatment operation and treated effluent discharge quality for every municipal wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) annually. The reports detail the latest effluent quality testing results and quantity statistics, and any non-compliance conditions that may have occurred for the previous year. They are available for review by the end of March on the County website at <http://www.oxfordcounty.ca/waterwastewater> or by contacting the Public Works Department.

All efforts have been made to ensure the information presented in this report is as accurate as possible.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the report, please contact the County at the address and phone number listed below or by email at wastewater@oxfordcounty.ca.

Wastewater Treatment Plant:	Ingersoll WWTP
Wastewater Treatment Plant Number:	110003969
Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA):	1614-A28P9L (September 16, 2015)
Reporting Period:	January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

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1.1 System Description

The Ingersoll WWTP is a Class IV rated treatment facility, as defined by Ontario Regulation (O.Reg.) 129/04, which provides wastewater treatment for residential, commercial, and industrial users in the Town of Ingersoll. It also provides treatment for septic tank waste, hauled waste, holding tank waste, and landfill leachate from within Oxford County. The nominally separated wastewater collection system includes five (5) sewage pumping stations, 88 kilometers of sanitary gravity sewers, 14.3 kilometers of sanitary forcemain sewers and 0.8 kilometers of sanitary low-pressure sewers.

Since the completion of the WWTP upgrade in 2018, two treatment trains have been operational and have provided a treatment capacity of 12,945 m³/d. Both trains are conventional activated sludge plants consisting of primary and secondary treatment sharing an ultraviolet light disinfection system and a single discharge point into the Thames River. The Ingersoll WWTP utilizes anaerobic digestion followed by dewatering to produce stabilized biosolids. The biosolids are then transported to dedicated offsite storage prior to beneficial reuse on agricultural land.

Standby generators are available to run the onsite Ingersoll Main Lift Station and disinfection system in the event of a power failure.

The system is maintained by licensed wastewater system operators and licensed mechanics that operate, monitor, and maintain the treatment equipment, in accordance with the regulations, and collect samples as required by the ECA. Alarms automatically notify operators in the event of failure of critical operational requirements.

The Ingersoll WWTP is located at 56 McKeand Street, Ingersoll, Ontario, with the Facility description provided below:

Facility	Ingersoll WWTP
Design Capacity	12,945 m ³ /d
2024 Average Daily Flow	8,637 m ³ /d
2024 Maximum Daily Flow	19,756 m ³ /d
2024 Total Volume of Wastewater	3,163,406 m ³ /year
2024 Total Received Hauled Waste	18,798 m ³ /year (14,499 m ³ /year leachate)

1.2 Major Expenses

In 2024, the Ingersoll WWTP had forecasted operating and maintenance expenditures of approximately \$3,197,000.

Planning for major wastewater system expenses is included within Oxford County's Wastewater Services Master Plan and managed according to our Asset Management and Capital Replacement Program. In addition to regular operational and maintenance expenditures, notable Capital Improvement Projects for Ingersoll totalled approximately \$1,956,000 for improvements to the wastewater collection system and the Ingersoll WWTP.

Notable Ingersoll Capital Improvement Projects included:

- \$468,000 for Town of Ingersoll Sewer Projects;
- \$320,000 for facilities improvements;
- \$818,000 for Town of Ingersoll Sewer Relining; and
- \$350,000 for Town of Ingersoll Southwest Industrial Park.

Capital Improvement Projects for all systems included:

- \$427,000 to develop Countywide SCADA Master Plan for all wastewater Systems.

2. SUMMARY AND INTERPRETATION OF MONITORING DATA

2.1 Effluent Quality Assurance and Control Measures

Sampling Procedure

Influent samples are collected monthly and effluent samples are collected weekly using a composite sampler over a 24-hour period. Raw sewage samples are collected at the main lift station located on-site; the sample is drawn after the lift station pumps and prior to the primary tanks of either plant. Effluent is sampled directly from the combined flow after it leaves the UV disinfection system prior to final discharge and represents the final treated effluent sample for the entire facility.

Laboratory and Field Testing

All samples that are reported for compliance purposes are analyzed at an accredited licensed laboratory except for pH, dissolved oxygen (DO), and temperature which are collected and analyzed in the field. Laboratory analysis is performed by SGS Lakefield Research Ltd. All other in-house testing is done for process control, the results of which are not included in this report.

2.2 WWTP Performance and Effluent Quality

Final Effluent Compliance Limits

Compliance limits are defined as the maximum effluent concentrations permitted for a given parameter set by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). Compliance limits are detailed within each WWTP ECA. The limits are determined to prevent impairment to the receiving water body quality. The Owner is legally obligated to operate and maintain the treatment system to ensure the compliance limits are achieved.

The Ingersoll WWTP provided effective treatment in 2024 and was 100% in compliance with all its regulatory limits for all effluent discharged from the WWTP.

Influent Streams and Effluent Streams

Approximately four times a week, the operator measures pH of both the influent and effluent streams.

There was no single pH result for the effluent outside the discharge limit of 6.0 – 9.5 in 2024.

Graphs of discharge parameters versus effluent discharge limits are included in this report in Appendix 'A'.

Influent wastewater characteristics and effluent discharge values are presented in the tables below:

Influent Wastewater Characteristics (annual average)		
Parameter	Concentration (mg/L)	Loading (kg/d)
BOD ₅	128	1,105
Total Suspended Solids	112	967
Total Phosphorus	2.8	24
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	24.4	210

Effluent Parameter	Sample Frequency	ECA Effluent Limit (Monthly Average) (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)	Monthly Average Result Min-Max (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)	Percentage Removal
Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD ₅)	weekly	15.0	2.0 – 3.3	98.2 – 98.7
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	weekly	15.0	5.4 – 10.7	95.6 – 98.0
Total Phosphorus (TP)	weekly	0.6	0.17 – 0.37	88.8 – 94.7
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) (May 1 to November 30)	weekly	2.0	0.10 – 0.15	--
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) (December 1 to April 30)	weekly	6.0	0.10 – 0.64	--
pH (any single sample)	weekly	6.0 - 9.5	6.57 – 7.92	--
E. coli	weekly	200 colonies/100 mL (Monthly Geometric Mean Density)	7.1 – 53.1 colonies/100 mL (Monthly Geometric Mean Density)	--

2.3 Final Effluent Design Objectives

Final Effluent Design Objectives (objectives) are non-enforceable effluent quality values which the Owner is obligated to use best efforts to strive towards achieving on an ongoing basis.

These objectives are to be used as a mechanism to trigger corrective action proactively, and voluntarily, before environmental impairment occurs and before the compliance limits are exceeded.

In 2024, there was one monthly objective that was not met:

- The monthly average concentration objective related to TSS (10 mg/L) for the month of January.

In January, the quantity of solids within the plant had increased, causing a slightly elevated solids concentration within the WWTP effluent. In response, operations increased the aeration wasting rates to achieve the desired aeration biomass concentration, which returned the effluent TSS concentration to below the objective limit.

The following table presents the range of effluent discharge values vs. ECA Objectives:

Effluent Parameter	Sample Frequency	Monthly Average Objective Concentration (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)	Monthly Average Result Min-Max (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)
Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD ₅)	weekly	10.0	2.0 – 3.3
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	weekly	10.0	5.4 – 10.7
Total Phosphorus (TP)	weekly	0.40	0.17 – 0.37
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) (May 1 to November 30)	weekly	1.5	0.10 – 0.15
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN) (December 1 to April 30)	weekly	4.0	0.10 – 0.64
pH (any single sample)	weekly	6.5 - 9.0 pH	6.57 – 7.92
E. coli	weekly	100 colonies/100 mL (Monthly Geometric Mean Density)	7.1 – 53.1 colonies/100 mL (Monthly Geometric Mean Density)

Single sample results that failed to meet effluent objectives are provided in the following table:

Date	Parameter	Objective (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)	Result (mg/L unless otherwise indicated)
January 3, 2024	TP	0.4	0.43
January 3, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	170 colonies/100 mL
January 10, 2024	TSS	10.0	14.0
January 23, 2024	TSS	10.0	11.0
January 24, 2024	TSS	10.0	13.0
January 31, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	134 colonies/100 mL
February 7, 2024	TSS	10.0	12.0
March 13, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	260 colonies/100 mL
April 18, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	474 colonies/100 mL
May 1, 2024	TSS	10.0	11.0
May 1, 2024	TP	0.4	0.46
May 16, 2024	TSS	10.0	12.0
May 16, 2024	TP	0.4	0.42
May 17, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	173 colonies/100 mL
May 30, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	106 colonies/100 mL
August 9, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	108 colonies/100 mL
September 18, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	232 colonies/100 mL
September 26, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	660 colonies/100 mL
October 2, 2024	TP	0.4	0.41
October 22, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	720 colonies/100 mL
November 13, 2024	TSS	10.0	11.0
December 11, 2024	E. coli	100 colonies/100 mL	136 colonies/100 mL
December 30, 2024	TSS	10.0	14.0

3. OVERFLOWS, BYPASSING, UPSETS, SPILLS, AND ABNORMAL CONDITIONS

There were no overflows, bypassing, upsets, spills, or abnormal conditions at the Ingersoll WWTP in 2024.

There were no complaints in 2024.

4. MAINTENANCE OF WORKS

The operating and maintenance staff at the Ingersoll WWTP conducts regularly scheduled maintenance of the plant equipment. The Ingersoll WWTP utilizes a database known as Cartegraph to issue work orders and maintain records for regular maintenance and repair at the WWTP.

The Limited Operational Flexibility for modification to the Ingersoll WWTP was not used in 2024.

5. MONITORING EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND CALIBRATION

The calibration of flow meters is conducted annually by JBF Controls Ltd. in accordance with the requirements of the ECA. The records are kept on-site at the Ingersoll WWTP.

All other operational monitoring equipment is calibrated by staff and records are kept on-site at the Ingersoll WWTP.

6. BIOSOLIDS PROGRAM

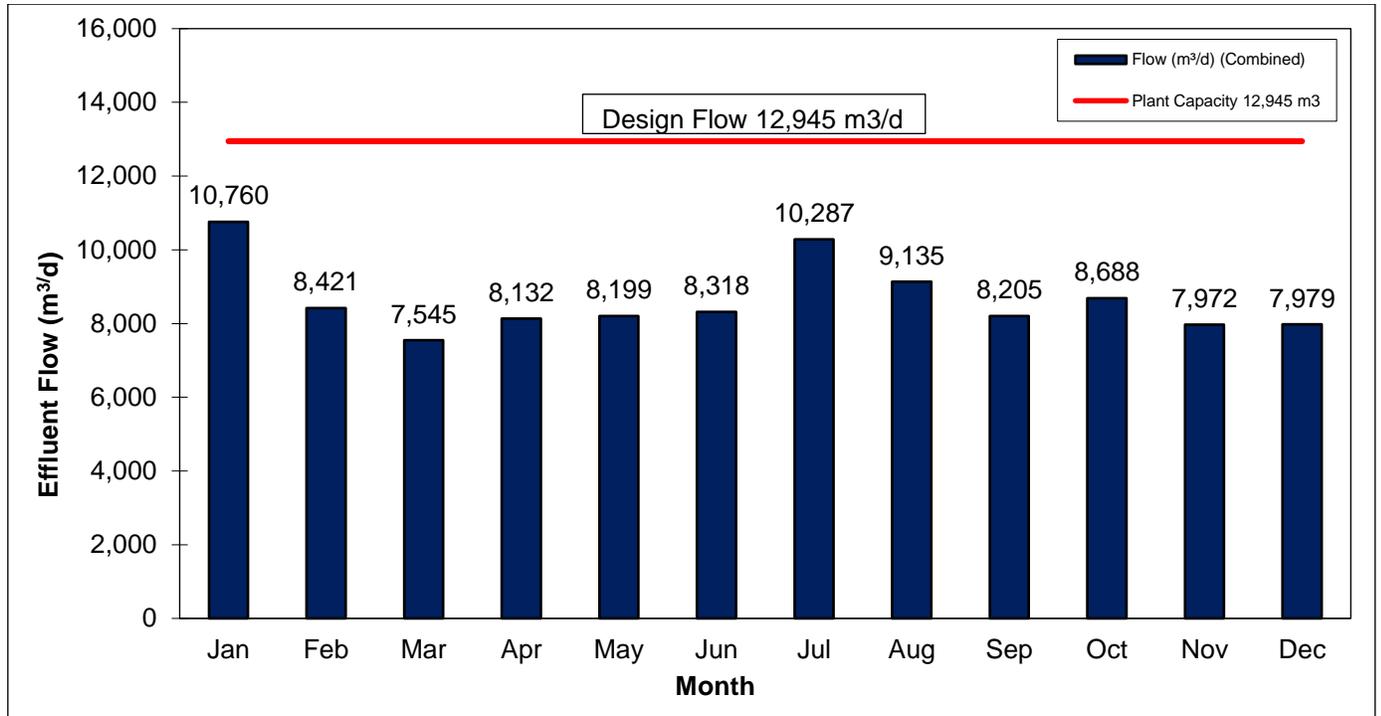
Biosolids are anaerobically digested and dewatered at the Ingersoll WWTP using an Alfa-Laval Centrifuge. The biosolids are then stored at the County Biosolids Centralized Storage Facility (BCSF) prior to land application. The sampling results and land application details are summarized in a separate Biosolids Annual report, available at: www.oxfordcounty.ca/services-for-you/water-wastewater/wastewater/reports-and-policies.

7. INSPECTION, PILOTS, AND TRIALS

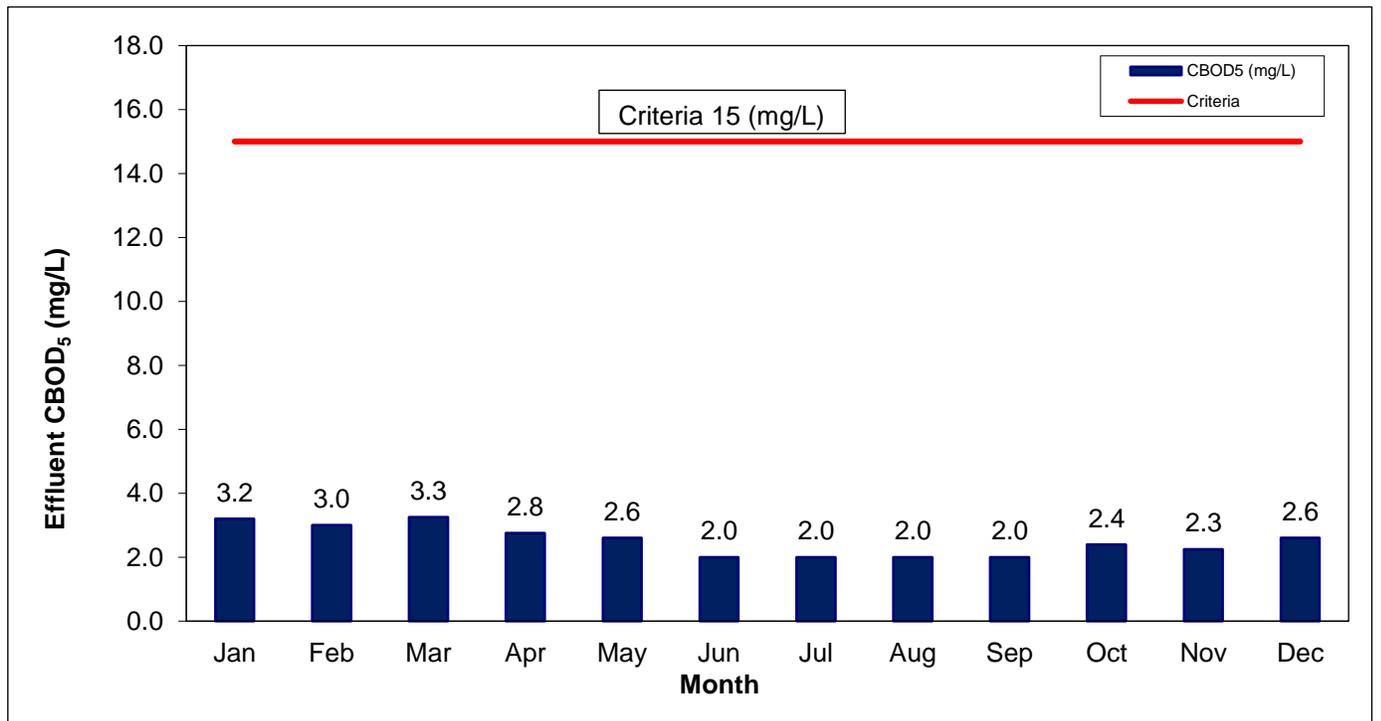
The MECP did not perform an inspection of the Ingersoll WWTP in 2024. The MECP inspections typically occur on a three-year schedule.

APPENDIX A: GRAPHS OF 2024 DISCHARGE PARAMETERS VS. EFFLUENT DISCHARGE LIMITS

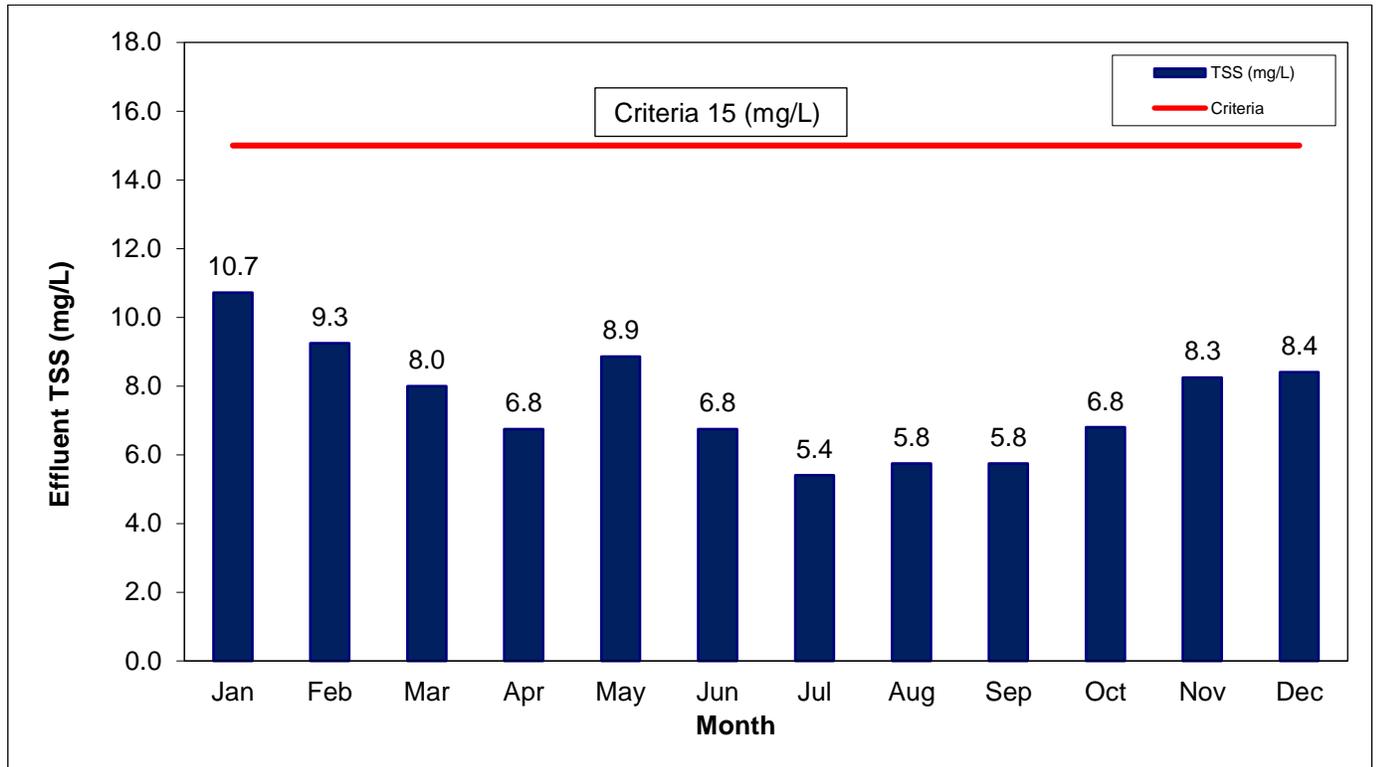
Ingersoll WWTP Monthly Average Daily Flow in Cubic Meters per Day, 2024



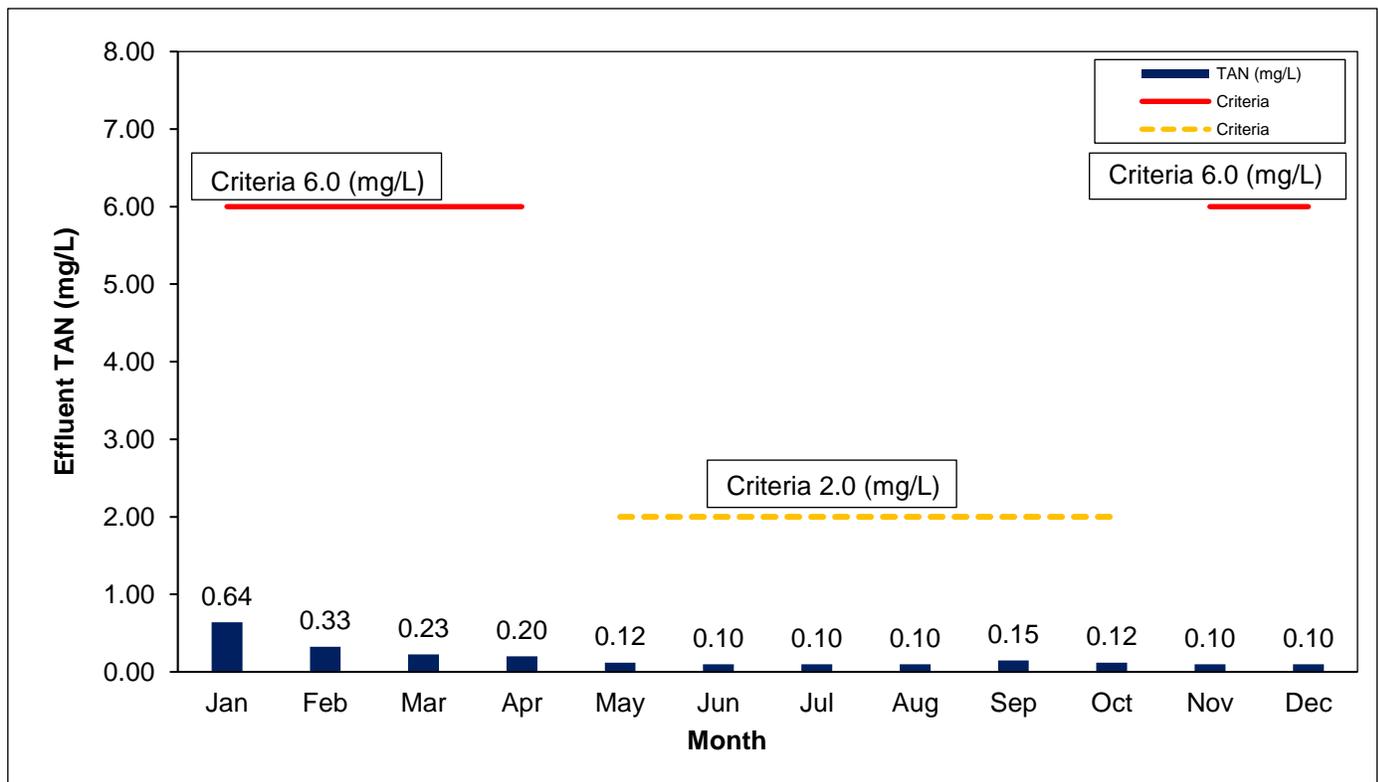
Ingersoll WWTP Effluent, Monthly Average CBOD₅ (mg/L), 2024



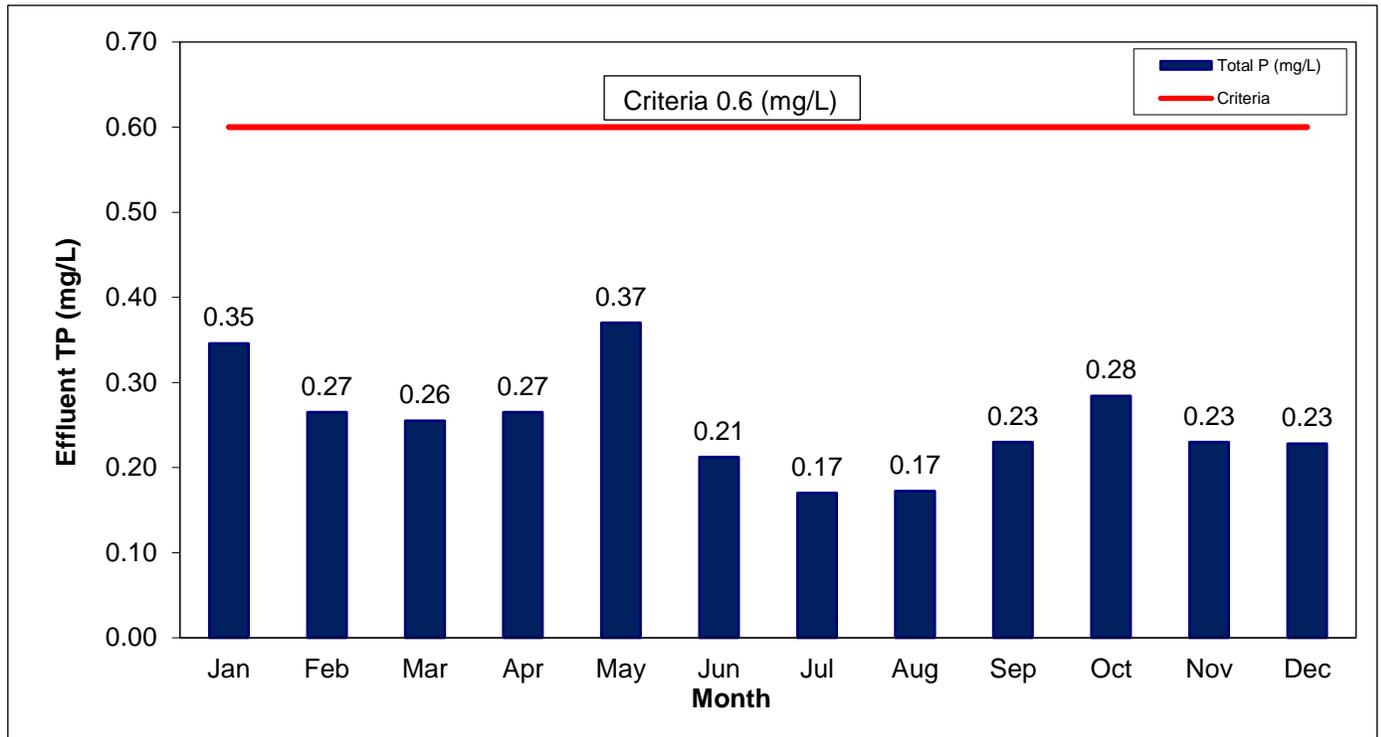
Ingersoll WWTP Effluent, Monthly Average TSS (mg/L), 2024



Ingersoll WWTP Effluent, Monthly Average TAN (mg/L), 2024



Ingersoll WWTP Effluent, Monthly Average TP (mg/L), 2024



Ingersoll WWTP Effluent, Monthly Geometric Mean Density E. coli (colonies/100 mL), 2024

