



# **2024 Annual Report**

## **RM of Stanley Public Water System**

**PWS: 218.25**  
**Red River Regional**

**Reinfeld, Schanzenfeld, Blumstein**



**Name of the public water system:  
RM of Stanley Public Water System**

**Name of the legal owner:  
Rural Municipality of Stanley**

**Water Source:  
Red River Regional Public Water System- Pembina Valley Water CO-OP**

**Emergency Contact Information:**

**Call the RM of Stanley Office: 204-325-4101**

**In the event of an emergency outside of regular business hours you will be transferred to an on-call operator.**

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## **Introduction:**

This RM of Stanley water system has three different local systems amalgamated into one. The Reinfeld, Schanzenfeld, Blumstein and surrounding areas are represented within the same license. The Schanzenfeld and Reinfeld utility systems began receiving treated water from the Pembina Valley Water Co-op in 2002 and continues to receive water from the PVWC. Water is provided to the un-incorporated villages of Schanzenfeld, Chortitz, Friedensruh, Reinfeld and various other rural properties in the general area. The system continues to expand in order to service continued development being experienced in the area. A 300,000L reservoir expansion was completed in the fall of 2010 in both Schanzenfeld and Reinfeld to accommodate the increase in water connections. This brought the total reservoir storage at each location up to 500,000L.

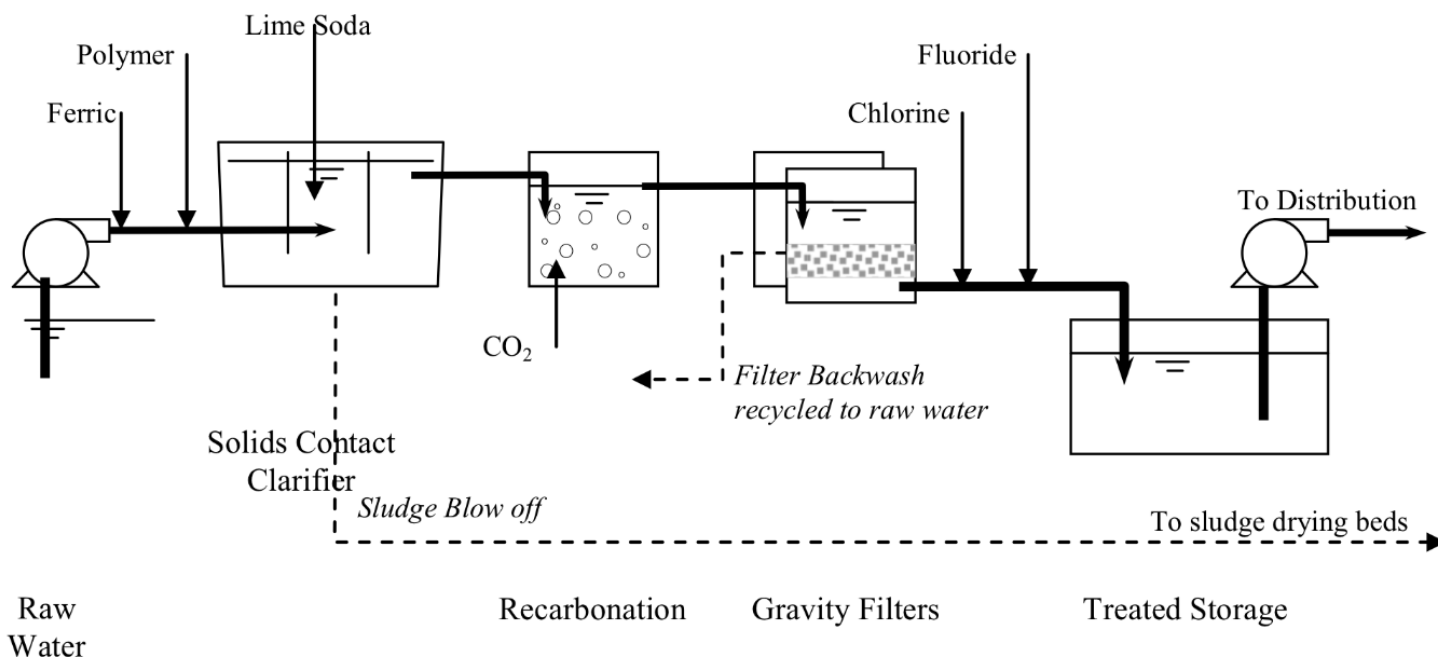
## **Description of the Water System:** **Source**

The RM of Stanley Public Water System purchases water from the Pembina Valley Water Co-op which draws the water from the Red River at the Letellier Treatment facility in Letellier MB. The Pembina Valley Water Co-op is a wholesaler of water which it sells to the RM of Stanley. The treated water is pumped west along PVWC main lines up to the Reinfeld reservoir and then to the Winkler south booster station where it is pumped into the Schanzenfeld reservoir. It is then distributed to the final consumers.

## **Treatment**

The water is treated at the Pembina Valley Water Co-op Treatment Plant in Letellier. A detailed description of their treatment process can be obtained directly from the PVWC at 204-324-1931 or email: [pvwc@mts.net](mailto:pvwc@mts.net).

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Upon entering Stanley's reservoirs, the treated water is re-chlorinated with sodium hypochlorite to ensure that required disinfection residuals are maintained throughout the system. Treated water is then pumped throughout the distribution system to the final consumer.

### **Distribution**

The distribution system is a network of underground pipes which delivers the water to the end consumers. When the water leaves the reservoirs, it is pumped through various sizes of PVC pipe (2"-6"). Most service line sizes range from  $\frac{3}{4}$ " – 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ". The total distribution network is approximately 80 kms long. Generators have been installed at all of Stanley's water stations. This allows us to maintain constant system pressure during power outages. Gate valves are installed throughout the system to be able to isolate sections of line for emergency or maintenance purposes. Curbstops are installed on each service line to be able to shut off residential lines in case of emergencies. *Customers should take care not to damage valves.*

### **Storage Reservoirs**

In this system we have 1 (one) 200,000 litre reinforced concrete 2-cell reservoir and 1 (one) 300,000 litre reinforced concrete 3-cell reservoir north of Schanzenfeld and 1 (one) 200,000 litre reinforced concrete 2-cell reservoir and 1 (one) 300,000 litre reinforced concrete 3-cell reservoir in Reinfeld. With a capacity of 500,000 litres each, these reservoirs act as a buffer to alleviate peak demands and maintain adequate pressure on the system. At current demands, the reservoirs hold approximately 1 day of storage.

### **Number of connections, population served, & types of water users**

At the end of December 2024, the Stanley Water system had 1,115 service connections and billed out an average of 64,000 cubic meters of water per quarter and served an estimated population of 4,460. These systems service 4 Elementary Schools, 7 Churches and a number of agricultural & commercial users while the majority of connections are for residential properties. Each connection is equipped with a water meter to measure water volumes for monitoring, administrative, and billing purposes. Water meters are read quarterly by the customer.

### **Classification/Certification**

The Stanley Public Water System (RRR) is classified as a Class Two (2) Distribution System. Classification/certification is regulated under Manitoba Conservation's Water and Wastewater Facility Operators Regulation under *The Environment Act*. Stanley has 2 full-time operators and one part-time. All are certified.

The operators continually participate in educational seminars to keep up their training.

### **Equipment:**

Each pumphouse is equipped with one – 2 horsepower variable speed pump and three - 5 horsepower variable speed pumps with a combined pumping rate of 225 Gallons per minute. All water lines on the system are made of PVC and high-density polyethylene materials. The line pressure along the corridor from Winkler to Morden (Blumstein) is supplied by PVWC.

## How is the Utility Operator notified in cases of emergencies?

The water pumphouses use electronic tele-metering equipment as a means for monitoring operations. This system notifies the utility operator by way of telephone in case of any problems regarding pressures, water levels, power failures, temperatures, and noise levels. This equipment also allows the utility operator to monitor several components of the reservoir operations while off-site through the use of a telephone. The RM of Stanley Utility Operator is notified by telephone in case of any emergency or discrepancy with the system.

In 2020 the Schanzenfeld and Reinfeld systems were upgraded to an electronic monitoring system (PLC) that allows the operators to monitor live pressures, reservoir levels, and flows off-site. This also allows them to diagnose problems and help them trend the operations of the pumphouses.

A Utility Operator is on call 24 hours/day. In case of an emergency call the RM of Stanley office where you will be transferred to an on-call operator.

**Emergency #: 1-204-325-4101**

## Water Quality Standards

There are certain water quality standards that are adhered to for the safety of the public. Below is a list of the health standards that are followed on the Stanley Public Water System. When there is a failure to meet these standards, immediate corrective actions are taken.

Parameter	Quality Standard
Total Coliform	Less than one total coliform bacteria detectable per 100 mL in all distributed water
<i>E. coli</i>	Less than one <i>E. coli</i> bacteria detectable per 100 mL in all distributed water
Chlorine Residual	A free chlorine residual of at least 0.1 mg/L at all times at any point in the water distribution system
Total Trihalomethanes (THMs)	Less than or equal to 0.10 mg/L as locational annual average of quarterly samples
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)	Less than or equal to 80 ug/L (micrograms/liter) as locational annual average of quarterly samples
Lead	Less than or equal to 0.005 mg/L in the water distribution system

Water samples are retrieved, tested, and recorded onsite for chlorine levels each day. There are two chlorine standards, one for leaving the reservoir and one for within the distribution system. The minimum free chlorine standards are 0.50 mg/L leaving the reservoir and 0.10 mg/L throughout the distribution system.

These charts outline the 2024 Chlorination results leaving the Schanzenfeld and Reinfeld reservoirs as reported by the Utility Operator.

### **2024 Schanzenfeld**

Month	# of Samples Taken	Compliance
January	30	100%
February	28	100%
March	31	100%
April	30	100%
May	31	100%
June	30	100%
July	31	100%
August	31	100%
September	30	100%
October	31	100%
November	30	100%
December	31	100%

### **2024 Reinfeld**

Month	# of Samples Taken	Compliance
January	31	100%
February	28	100%
March	31	100%
April	30	100%
May	31	100%
June	30	100%
July	31	100%
August	31	100%
September	30	100%
October	31	100%
November	30	100%
December	31	100%

The following outlines the 2024 test results as submitted by the Operator to ALS Environmental for analysis. Samples are submitted every two weeks from the incoming treated water (PVWC), the outgoing treated water from the reservoir, and a distribution system location. The distribution chlorine residuals are measured at the same time and location as the bacteriological distribution samples and are included in the chart below.

### **Blumstein**

This system runs off PVWC's line between Winkler and Morden. The chlorine residual is dependent on PVWC chlorination.

#### **Coliforms & E. coli - Outflow Treated**

Date	In Distribution System					
	Coliforms MPN/100ml	E. coli MPN/100ml	Compliant	Chlorine Free mg/L	Chlorine Total mg/L	Compliant
Jan 3/24	0	0	Yes	0.26	0.58	Yes
Jan 16/24	0	0	Yes	0.56	0.81	Yes
Feb 2/24	0	0	Yes	0.48	0.79	Yes
Feb 16/24	0	0	Yes	0.53	0.81	Yes
Mar 4/24	0	0	Yes	0.56	0.89	Yes
Mar 15/24	0	0	Yes	0.52	0.80	Yes
Mar 26/24	0	0	Yes	0.98	1.23	Yes
Apr 12/24	0	0	Yes	0.77	1.13	Yes
Apr 23/24	0	0	Yes	0.87	1.13	Yes
May 10/24	0	0	Yes	0.61	0.93	Yes
May 29/24	0	0	Yes	0.96	1.21	Yes
June 7/24	0	0	Yes	1.11	1.30	Yes
June 18/24	0	0	Yes	1.08	1.41	Yes
July 3/24	0	0	Yes	0.40	0.73	Yes
July 24/24	0	0	Yes	0.28	0.49	Yes
Aug 12/24	0	0	Yes	0.80	1.06	Yes
Aug 27/24	0	0	Yes	0.70	0.96	Yes
Sept 9/24	0	0	Yes	1.02	1.13	Yes
Sept 23/24	0	0	Yes	1.07	1.21	Yes
Oct 7/24	0	0	Yes	0.89	1.31	Yes
Oct 21/24	0	0	Yes	0.67	0.98	Yes
Nov 4/24	0	0	Yes	0.39	0.82	Yes
Nov 20/24	0	0	Yes	0.83	0.99	Yes
Dec 2/24	0	0	Yes	0.83	0.99	Yes
Dec 17/24	0	0	Yes	0.42	0.81	Yes

**Reinfeld Distribution**  
**Coliforms & E. coli – Distribution system**

**Date**

**In Distribution System**

	Coliforms	E. coli	Compliant	Chlorine Free	Chlorine Total	Compliant
	MPN/100ml	MPN/100ml		mg/L	mg/L	
Jan 3/24	0	0	Yes	0.87	1.31	Yes
Jan 16/24	0	0	Yes	0.93	1.39	Yes
Feb 2/24	0	0	Yes	1.41	2.01	Yes
Feb 16/24	0	0	Yes	1.23	1.82	Yes
Mar 4/24	0	0	Yes	1.31	1.71	Yes
Mar 15/24	0	0	Yes	0.98	1.36	Yes
Mar 26/24	0	0	Yes	1.48	1.73	Yes
Apr 12/24	0	0	Yes	0.98	1.30	Yes
Apr 23/24	0	0	Yes	1.48	1.79	Yes
May 10/24	0	0	Yes	1.23	1.61	Yes
May 29/24	0	0	Yes	1.06	1.48	Yes
June 7/24	0	0	Yes	0.86	0.96	Yes
June 18/24	0	0	Yes	1.06	1.43	Yes
July 4/24	0	0	Yes	1.18	1.64	Yes
July 24/24	0	0	Yes	1.01	1.57	Yes
Aug 12/24	0	0	Yes	1.23	1.87	Yes
Aug 27/24	0	0	Yes	0.92	1.17	Yes
Sept 9/24	0	0	Yes	0.91	1.38	Yes
Sept 23/24	0	0	Yes	1.11	1.63	Yes
Oct.7/24	0	0	Yes	0.91	1.26	Yes
Oct 21/24	0	0	Yes	0.78	0.99	Yes
Nov.4/24	0	0	Yes	0.87	1.10	Yes
Nov.19/24	0	0	Yes	1.13	1.63	Yes
Dec.2/24	0	0	Yes	0.96	1.72	Yes
Dec.17/24	0	0	Yes	1.01	1.43	Yes



## Schanzenfeld Distribution

### Coliforms & E. coli - Outflow Treated

Date	In Distribution System					
	Coliforms MPN/100ml	E. coli MPN/100ml	Compliant	Chlorine Free mg/L	Chlorine Total mg/L	Compliant
Jan 3/24	0	0	Yes	0.87	1.31	Yes
Jan 16/24	0	0	Yes	1.13	1.32	Yes
Feb 2/24	0	0	Yes	1.59	2.02	Yes
Feb 16/24	0	0	Yes	1.11	1.38	Yes
Mar 4/24	0	0	Yes	1.30	1.68	Yes
Mar 15/24	0	0	Yes	0.79	1.01	Yes
Mar 26/24	0	0	Yes	1.71	2.01	Yes
Apr 12/24	0	0	Yes	1.01	1.39	Yes
Apr 23/24	0	0	Yes	1.20	1.48	Yes
May 10/24	0	0	Yes	1.07	1.39	Yes
May 29/24	0	0	Yes	1.08	1.40	Yes
June 7/24	0	0	Yes	1.30	1.38	Yes
June 18/24	0	0	Yes	1.16	1.32	Yes
July 4/24	0	0	Yes	1.02	1.39	Yes
July 24/24	0	0	Yes	0.87	1.36	Yes
Aug 12/24	0	0	Yes	1.61	2.01	Yes
Aug 22/24	0	0	Yes	1.20	1.38	Yes
Sept.9/24	0	0	Yes	0.98	1.16	Yes
Sept 23/24	0	0	Yes	1.13	1.50	Yes
Oct.7/24	0	0	Yes	0.86	1.24	Yes
Oct 21/24	0	0	Yes	0.96	1.36	Yes
Nov.4/24	0	0	Yes	1.36	1.89	Yes
Nov.19/24	0	0	Yes	0.98	1.34	Yes
Dec.2/24	0	0	Yes	0.96	1.13	Yes
Dec.17/24	0	0	Yes	0.96	1.48	Yes

At any time when the free chlorine residual requirement is not met immediate action is taken by the Operator to adjust amounts of chlorine being added to ensure future compliance.

### THM's & HAA's

Every two years, quarterly testing is done for THM's & HAA's as required by the Office of Drinking Water. Reporting years are 2024, 2026 and so on.

**Trihalomethanes (THM's)** are formed when chlorine reacts with naturally occurring organic matter in the water. Studies have shown a link between high levels of THM's and cancer. For that reason, the province has set a health-based standard for THM's of 0.1mg/L. THM's were tested in the Schanzenfeld Public Water System in 2024 producing

the following results. Compliance with provincial standards is dependent on the effectiveness of the treatment process.

#### ***THM's***

Feb.	2024	0.0840 mg/L
May.	2024	0.124 mg/L
Aug.	2024	0.335 mg/L
Nov.	2024	0.180 mg/L

***Haloacetic acids (HAAs)*** are a common undesirable by-product of drinking water chlorination. HAAs can be formed by chlorination, ozonation or chloramination of water with formation promoted by slightly acidic water, high organic matter content and elevated temperature. Chlorine from the water disinfection process can react with organic matter and small amounts of bromide present in water to produce various HAAs. The MAC (maximum acceptable concentration) for HAA's is 80 ug/L (micrograms/liter). Compliance with provincial standards is dependent on the effectiveness of the treatment process. Testing was done in Reinfeld in 2024 producing the following results.

#### ***HAA's***

Feb.	2024	45.7 ug/L
May.	2024	52 ug/L
Aug.	2024	108 ug/L
Nov.	2024	110 ug/L

### **Lead Sampling**

Manitoba has launched a new lead testing program for drinking water to ensure safety and compliance with Health Canada's updated guidelines. The program focuses on testing water at consumer taps, particularly in schools and child care centers, to detect and mitigate lead contamination.

Each municipality needs to comply with licensing requirements in regards to lead sampling. Lead in drinking water can cause serious health issues, especially for children and pregnant women.

Key risks include:

- Developmental delays and learning disabilities in children
- Cognitive impairments like memory loss
- High blood pressure and heart disease in adults
- Kidney damage
- Reproductive health problems

The maximum acceptable concentration of lead in drinking water is 0.005 mg/L. This limit is set to minimize health risks associated with lead exposure.

<b>RM of Stanley (PWS 218.25)</b> <b>Residential Lead Monitoring -</b> <b>2024</b>			
DATE	RESULT	RE-TEST RESULT	WATER CODE
10/07/24	0.000994		218.20
25-10-24	0.001380		218.20
10/07/24	0.001570		218.20
10/07/24	0.018100		218.20
23-10-24	0.000404		218.20
21-10-24	0.001220		218.20
10/06/24	0.002020		218.20
10/06/24	0.000535		218.20
25-10-24	0.000848		218.20
21-10-24	0.001130		218.20
10/06/24	0.001580		218.20
23-09-24	0.007320		218.20
30-12-24	0.001520		218.20
30-12-24	0.001210		218.20
30-12-24	0.001090		218.20
30-12-24	0.000804		218.20
30-12-24	0.001730		218.20
30-12-24	0.000019		218.20
30-12-24	0.000021		218.20
30-12-24	0.000053		218.20

**Water system incidents.**

6 water breaks were recorded for 2024.

**Drinking water safety orders on system.**

None

**Boil water advisories issued.**

There were 5 BWA's on PWS 218.25. Boil Water advisories are issued when the line pressure drops below 20 psi. Samples were taken and the advisories were rescinded.

**Warnings issued or charges laid in accordance with Drinking Water Safety Act.**

None.

**Annual Audit by the Office of Drinking Water**

A copy of the annual audit done by the Office of Drinking water is available by request through the RM of Stanley.

**Permits and Licenses**

All operator licenses are valid and up to date. A third part time fully licensed operator has been added as a contract operator. System permits are also all in place as required. This information is posted at every site and available at the RM of Stanley Office.

**Major Expenses Incurred.**

None

**Anticipated Expenses**

None

**Future system expansion.**

None

**RM of Stanley Notifications**

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