GROUNDWATER DEVELOPMENT KATIT INDIAN RESERVE OWEEKENO VILLAGE, RIVERS INLET

for

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

A new production well was constructed at Oweekeno Village on Rivers Inlet, British Columbia, during October 1978. The well can deliver groundwater at rates of up to 100 USgpm and the water quality is excellent for domestic purposes.

2.0 WELL CONSTRUCTION

The 6-inch diameter well was drilled and cased to a total depth of 91 feet using an air rotary drilling rig equipped with a casing hammer. Clean water-bearing sands and gravels were penetrated in the hole below a depth of 47 feet. An 8-inch diameter surface casing was installed to a depth of 12 feet and the annular space between 8-inch and 6-inch casings was cemented to protect the well against surface seepage.

A stainless steel well screen with a slot opening of 0.040 inch was set between depths of 85.5 feet and 89.5 feet and was exposed in some of the best gravel in the aquifer. The well was then developed by blowing and surging with compressed air from the drilling rig.

3.0 WELL TESTING

A pumping test was carried out on the completed well for a total of 25 hours using a submersible pump and a portable generator. The discharge rate during the test was 38 USgpm which was the maximum capacity of the pump.

The well reached near stabilization at a pumping level of 47.75 feet after only a few minutes of pumping from the static water level of 45.73 feet. The pumping level then fluctuated between 46.70 feet and 47.90 feet in response to tidal influence for the remainder of the test. Well recovery was almost instantaneous to near the static water level when pumping ended.

3.0 WELL TESTING, cont'd.

Based upon a drawdown of two feet and a discharge rate of 38 USgpm the specific capacity of the well is calculated to be 19 USgpm per foot of drawdown. A highly permeable section of water-bearing material in the vicinity of the well is indicated although rapid stabilization of the pumping level does not allow a useful calculation of the transmissivity to be made. However, the transmissivity should be in the range of 40,000 USgpd per foot based upon the observed specific capacity.

4.0 WELL YIELD

The total available drawdown in the well at the time of testing was 42 feet. The calculated yield for the well is therefore in the range of 800 USgpm using the specific capacity of 19 USgpm per foot of drawdown. However, the well screen as installed is capable of admitting only 100 USgpm at an entrance velocity of 0.1 feet per second as recommended by the manufacturer.

Our previous estimate of requirements for the village was 40 USgpm which provided some measure of safety over probable usage at present. A well rating of 100 USgpm will therefore provide for current domestic needs and fire protection as well as future growth of the village.

Please note that all water level measurements have been taken from the top of the finished well casing which is 2.8 feet above ground level.

Seasonal water level fluctuations are not expected to be significant and do not affect the rating of this well.

5.0 INORGANIC CHEMICAL QUALITY

When the site was first investigated there was some apprehension that the water quality of a

5.0 INORGANIC CHEMICAL QUALITY, cont'd.

new well might reflect the brackish problems of the existing dug well at the village. The conductivity of the water was therefore tested periodically during drilling and testing of the new well and these tests showed that a very low dissolved ion content was present.

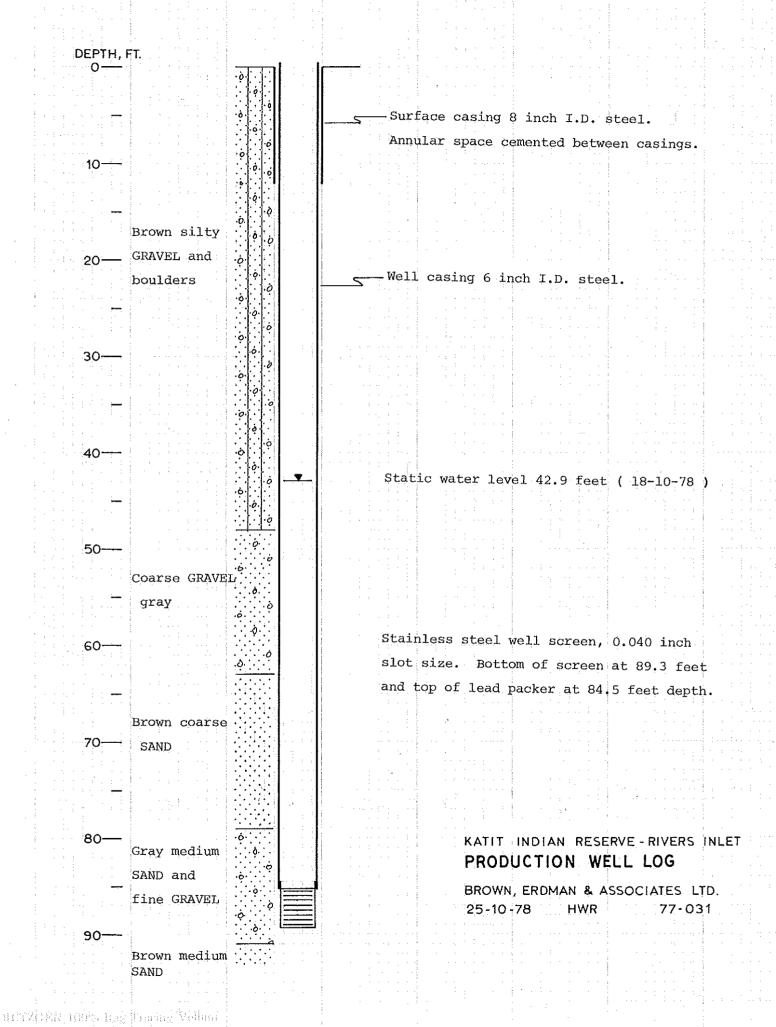
A water sample was collected near the end of the pumping test and was submitted to a commercial laboratory for analysis. The results of the analysis included with this report show that the water meets the Canadian Drinking Water Standards for all parameters tested and is of excellent quality for domestic use.

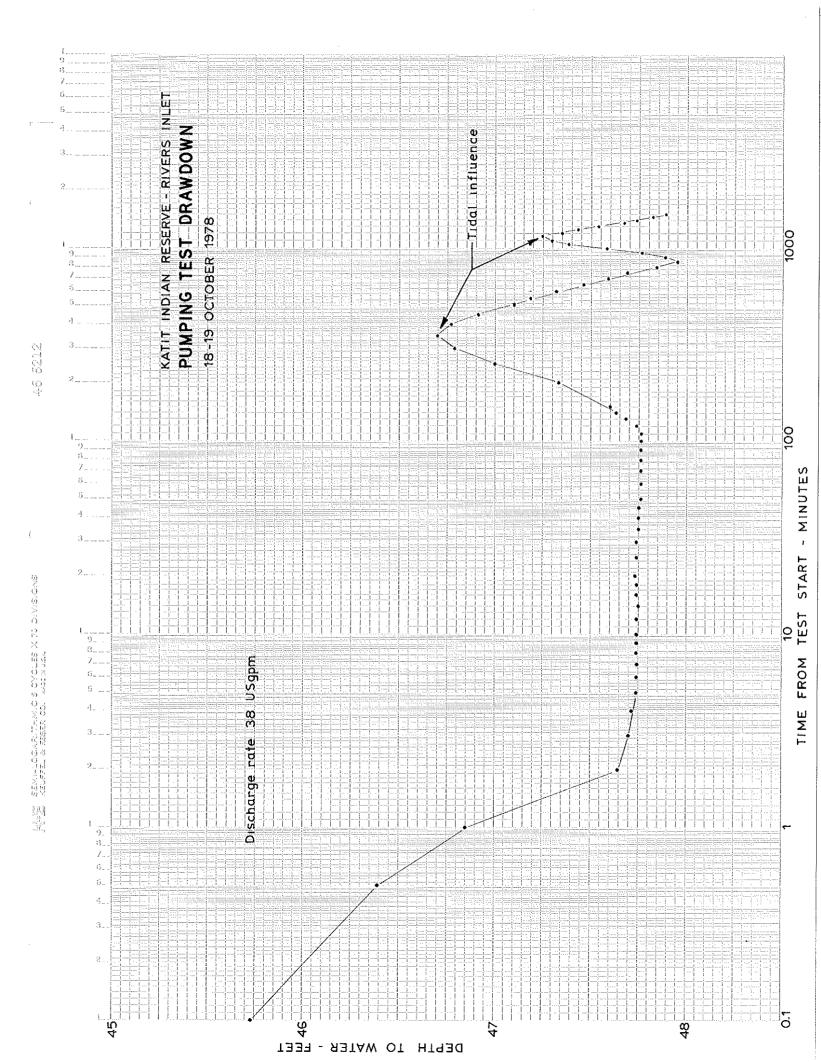
The tidal influence noted during the pumping test is not an indication of salt water contamination at the new well site.

6.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 The subject well was completed in a sand and gravel aguifer to a depth of 89.5 feet.
- 6.2 The capacity of the well is limited by the open area of the well screen to 100 USgpm and should not be pumped in excess of this rate.
- 6.3 A submersible pump is recommended for permanent installation in the new well. The pumping level at 100 USgpm is expected to be 51 feet below the top of the finished casing and the pump should be capable of delivering 100 USgpm against 51 feet of head plus the additional head required to reach the storage tank. The pump may be set as low as 84 feet below ground level.
- 6.4 A pump house, if constructed, should be provided with a removable section at least two feet square and positioned directly over the well head. This will permit access for removal of the pump for servicing and maintenance.

- 6.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, cont'd.
 - 6.5 Adequate check valves <u>must</u> be installed in the discharge line of the pump to prevent any backwashing of the well screen. Any action which would disturb the developed aquifer packed around the screen will very likely cause the well to pump sand.
 - 6.6 When installing a pump or working around the well great care must be taken to prevent any foreign material from getting into the well. Many wells have been rendered useless through innocent carelessness as well as deliberate junking.







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Report On	Analysis of Water Samples	File No	7813C
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Reported to	Brown, Erdman & Associates	Date	Nov. 3, 1978
	1401 Bewicke Ave.		
	North Vancouver, B. C.		
<u></u>	Attention: Mr. H. Reid		

We have tested the sample of water submitted by you on Oct. 22, 1978 and report as follows:

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION:

The sample was submitted in a plastic bottle labelled:

KATIT I.R.

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RIVER INLET BC

19 October 1978

METHOD OF TESTING:

The analyses were carried out in accordance with procedures described in "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater (14 Edition)" published by the American Public Health Association, 1975.

RESULTS OF TESTING:

(see following page)

RESULTS OF TESTING:

<u>TEST</u>			RESULT
Physical Tests pH Conductance (umber Color (CU) Turbidity (JTU) Total Dissolved Total Suspended	Solids (mg/L)	L	7.20 53.2 5. 0.20 48. 0.75
Dissolved Anions Alkalinity Bicarbonate Carbonate Chloride Sulfate	(mg/L) HCO ₃ CO ₃ C1 SO ₄		31.4 NIL 1.0 3.7
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Iron Manganese Cadmium Copper Lead Zinc	Fe Mn Cd Cu Pb Zn	-	0.030 0.003 0.002 0.001 0.005 0.025
Others (mg/L) Total Iron Total Manganese	Fe Mn	L	0.030

L = less than, mg/L = milligrams per liter (or parts per million for drinking water).

REMARKS:

The water represented by the sample submitted can be characterized as a soft water, low in dissolved mineralization. For the parameters tested the sample met the limits set by the "Canadian Drinking Water Standards and Objectives, 1968".

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