Municipal Members Town Water

Andover

Sources of Drinking Water in Andover:

- Andover’s drinking water comes mainly from Haggets Pond. Because Haggets pond does not have enough water for all of Andover, Fish Brook and the Merrimack River supplement the water supply.

Wastewater Treatment in Andover:

- Andover’s wastewater goes to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District.

Beverly

Sources of Drinking Water in Beverly:

- Beverly’s drinking water comes from Wenham Lake and the Putnamville Reservoir, or from the Miles River sub-basin.
- About half of the water is pumped from the Ipswich River in Topsfield via a canal and stored in the Putnamville Reservoir and/or Wenham Lake. Pumping from the river may occur from Dec. 1-May 31; the rest of the water comes from the Miles River sub-basin.

Wastewater Treatment in Beverly:

- Beverly’s wastewater goes to the South Essex Sewage District for treatment, and then it is discharged into Salem Sound

Boxford

Sources of Drinking Water in Boxford:

- Boxford’s drinking water comes from two underground wells.
- The two wells are known as the Four Mile Village Wells and are in an area southeast of the middle residential building. Well #2 has a Zone I radius of 240 feet, and Well #3 has a Zone I radius of 210 feet. The wells are in an aquifer with a high vulnerability to contamination due to the absence of hydrogeologic barriers (i.e. clay) that can prevent contaminant migration.

Wastewater Treatment for Home in Boxford:

- Boxford uses septic tanks for their wastewater.
Danvers

Sources of Drinking Water in Danvers:

- Danvers’ drinking water comes from two well fields and three reservoirs all within the Ipswich River watershed. The reservoirs are Middleton Pond and the Emerson Brook Reservoir, both in Middleton, and Swan Pond in North Reading.

Wastewater Treatment in Danvers:

- Danvers’ wastewater goes to the South Essex Sewage District for treatment, and then it is discharged into Salem Sound.

Essex

Sources of Drinking Water in Essex:

- Essex’s drinking water comes from three underground wells.

Wastewater Treatment in Essex

- Essex uses septic tanks and the Gloucester wastewater treatment plant.

Georgetown

Sources of Drinking Water in Georgetown

- Georgetown’s drinking water comes from underground wells.
- These wells include the William Marshall Well and the Ronald I. Marshall (Duffy’s Landing) Well, both located off West Street behind the Water Treatment Plant, and the Commissioners Well, located off lower Bailey Lane near the bridge/culvert.

Wastewater Treatment in Georgetown

- Georgetown’s wastewater goes to the Georgetown Waste Treatment Plant.

Gloucester

Sources of Drinking Water in Gloucester

- Gloucester’s drinking water comes from five surface water reservoirs and two main water treatment plants. A third water treatment plant is utilized during the summer and in emergencies.
- The main water treatment plants are Babson and West Gloucester. The third plant is the Klondike Water Treatment Plant in Lanesville.

Wastewater Treatment in Gloucester:

- Gloucester uses septic tanks and the Gloucester wastewater treatment plant.
Ipswich

Sources of Drinking Water in Ipswich:

• Ipswich’s drinking water comes from surface water reservoirs (Dow Brook Reservoir and Bull Brook Reservoir) and underground wells (Mile Lane and Browns Wells and Essex Road, Fellows Road and Winthrop Estate Wells).

Wastewater Treatment in Ipswich:

• Ipswich uses septic tanks and a town wastewater treatment plant.

Manchester

Sources of Drinking Water in Manchester:

• Manchester’s drinking water comes from surface water reservoirs and from groundwater wells.
• Gravelly Pond Reservoir supplies 71% of the water for Manchester. The rest of the water comes from the Lincoln Street Well. Sometimes Gravelly Pond has water supplemented to it from the Round Pond Well in Hamilton to aid in watershed recharge.

Wastewater Treatment in Manchester:

• Manchester uses septic tanks and a town wastewater treatment plant.

Marblehead

Sources of Drinking Water in Marblehead:

• Marblehead’s drinking water comes from the Quabbin Reservoir, which is managed by the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA).

Wastewater Treatment in Marblehead:

• Marblehead’s wastewater goes to the South Essex Sewage District for treatment and then is discharged into Salem Sound.

Merrimac

Sources of Drinking Water in Merrimac

• Merrimac’s drinking water comes from underground wells. The wells are Sargent’s Pit and Wallace Way.

Wastewater Treatment in Merrimac:

• Merrimac uses septic tanks and the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District Treatment Plan.
Nahant

Sources of Drinking Water in Nahant:

- Nahant’s drinking water comes from the Quabbin Reservoir which is managed by the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA).

Wastewater Treatment in Nahant:

- Nahant uses septic tanks and the Lynn Water and Sewer Commissions Waste Wastewater treatment plant.

Peabody

Sources of Drinking Water in Peabody:

- Peabody’s drinking water comes from Winona Pond and Suntaug Lake, which are both fed by the Ipswich River.

Wastewater Treatment in Peabody:

- Peabody uses septic tanks and the South Essex Sewage District for treatment.

Rowley

Sources of Drinking Water in Rowley:

- Rowley’s drinking water comes from underground wells. These wells are all on town-owned land within the Parker River Basin

Wastewater Treatment in Rowley:

- Rowley uses septic tanks for their wastewater.

Salem

Sources of Drinking Water in Salem:

- Salem’s drinking water comes from Wenham Lake and the Putnamville Reservoir.
- About half of the water is pumped from the Ipswich River in Topsfield via a canal and stored in Putnamville Reservoir and/or Wenham Lake. Pumping from the river may occur from Dec. 1-May 31; the rest of the water comes from the Miles River sub-basin as recharge to Wenham Lake.

Wastewater Treatment in Salem:

- Salem uses the South Essex Sewage District for treatment and has small number of septic systems.
**Salisbury**

Sources of Drinking Water in Salisbury:
- Salisbury’s drinking water comes from four underground wells. Three of the wells are on Lena May Way; the other is on Black Snake Road.

Wastewater Treatment in Salisbury:
- Salisbury uses septic tanks and a town wastewater treatment plant.

**Topsfield**

Sources of Drinking Water in Topsfield:
- Topsfield’s drinking water comes from an underground well near Mile Brook.

Wastewater Treatment in Topsfield:
- Topsfield uses septic tanks and the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District Treatment Plant.

**Wenham**

Sources of Drinking Water in Wenham:
- Wenham’s drinking water comes from two groundwater wells, near Pleasant Pond. These wells draw from beneath the Great Wenham Swamp, which is part of the Ipswich River watershed.

Wastewater Treatment in Wenham:
- Wenham uses septic tanks for their wastewater.

**West Newbury**

Sources of Drinking Water in West Newbury:
- West Newbury’s water comes from underground wells. The wells draw from the Indian Hill, Artichoke Reservoirs and Bartlett Spring Pond.

Wastewater Treatment in West Newbury:
- West Newbury uses septic tanks for their wastewater.