

These wells were investigated in 2018 as potential water sources during water shortages similar to what we are presently experiencing. We did receive some information on the wells indicated on the attached map, wells # 771194 whose dept was 250 ft, 771195 - 250 ft and 771196 - 225 ft. I don't know the rate of flow and understand all the information on the sheets provided. I did call a well drilling business last year to investigate the drilled well behind the community hall in Quinan and the owner told me it would be around \$4,000 to reopen the well, investigate the flow with no assurance on the amount of water the well would produce. They decided to dig their existing well deeper.

Yes, these wells in Comeau's Hill would be a strategic place to have a water station as a significant amount of residents coming to the Mariner's Centre for water are from Wedgeport, Melbourne and Comeau's Hill. If I remember correctly, in speaking with Dave Gordon, he did say that we could get access to these wells but again there would be the cost of setting up a water station there, electrical hook ups and as well as the investigation of the well (s).

There have been over 350 loads of water (usually the 1000 litre containers) that have been taken from the Mariner's Centre since it started mid July, 110 as of Friday in Pubnico, not even counting the ones that came before we started counting in Pubnico. As of this morning, 250 coupons for drinking water have been given out at MODA and 214 at MODY. The coupon program only started last Tuesday, August 11. That tells me we have a significant water problem here locally which keeps reoccurring.

The Province is ready to send us drinking and non-drinking water at this time but with Covid still around, the distribution of water will be challenging. We are making plans.

Other options, if I may, would be:

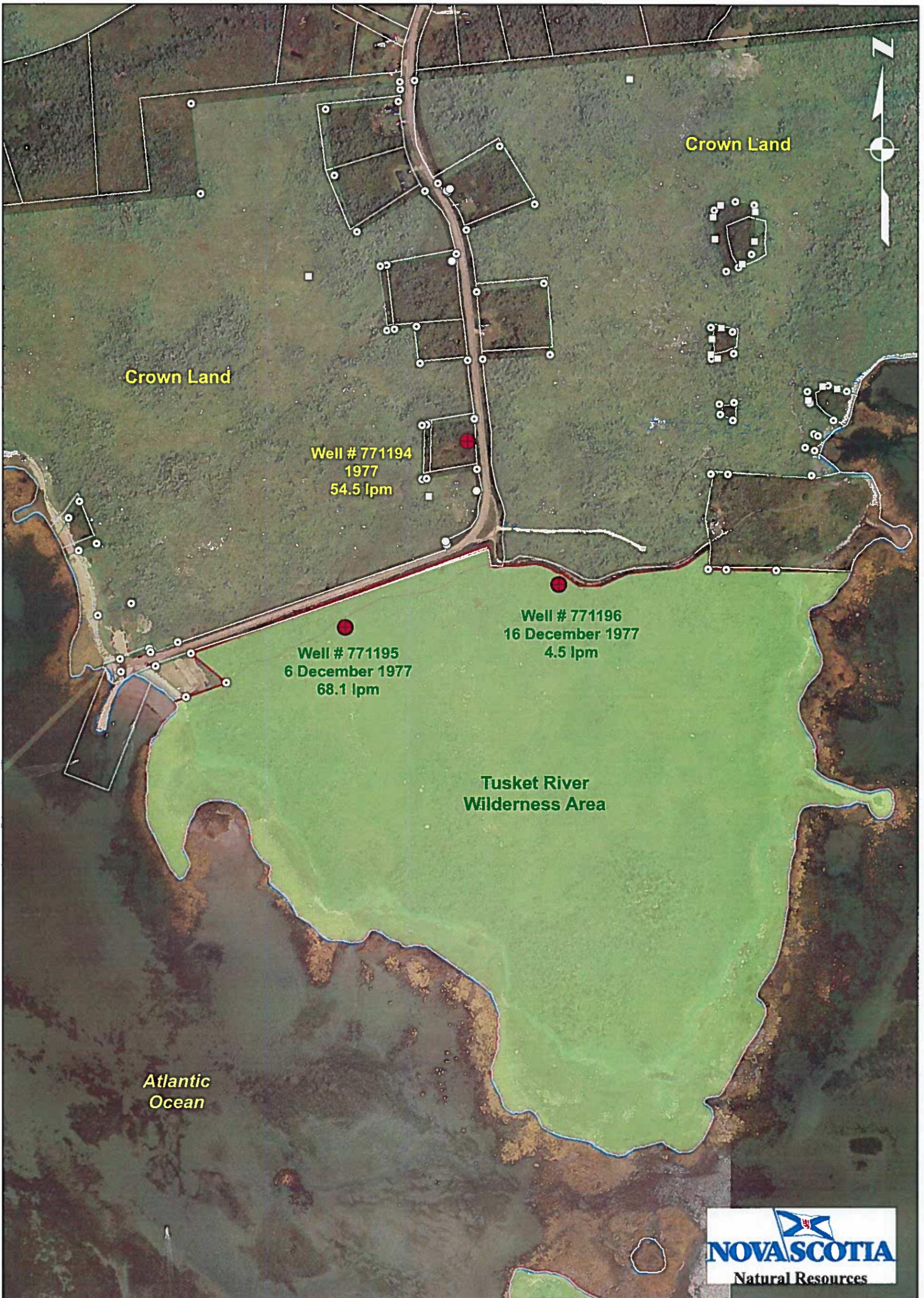
- 1) Put a drilled well at the new fire hall in Eel-Brook (lots of people between SAR, Amirault's Hill, Tusket, Argyle areas are running out of water)
- 2) There is a drilled well in Tusket where "Ducks" Greenhouses were located (the land is for sale and it's in a strategic place).
- 3) What about the well at the old Wedgeport school. What is happening to the school? Can we save the well?
- 4) A drilled well with outside water station on new municipal property in Tusket?
- 5) There will be a bulk water station in Yarmouth in the near future which should help.

After 2018, I put forth some recommendations to Argyle Council and here are some of those recommendations:

- 1) That at least 2 water stations be set up in the Municipality strategically placed for easy accessibility to residents. Costs vary in each situation, but we are possibility looking at \$40,000 to \$50,000 each.
- 2) Further install showers in some of our Comfort centres
- 3) Install washers in some of our Comfort centres
- 4) Educate low income families on provincial grants to assist with water upgrades to their homes
- 5) Request further provincial funding to support these needs (Warden Donaldson did write a letter to the Hon Chuck Porter requesting assistance in Sept 2018).

Just my thoughts, thank you. JANINE MUISE

# Drilled Wells Comeau's Hill Yarmouth County



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