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WATER SAMPLING - YELLOWKNIFE

At a meeting of the committee appointed to monitor and investigate pollution in the territories, it was reported that the routine water sampling at Yellowknife appears to have been discontinued, the last sample having been received on July 20, 1970.

The committee still holds the view that the sampling schedule for the Yellowknife water supply should be maintained, but feels once every two months is frequently enough, except during run-off time in May and June when samples should be collected every two weeks. Water sampling in Yellowknife Bay should also be continued at least once every quarter, except during run-off when the collection interval should be decreased to ensure that the affects of the run-off are detected.

Would you kindly check with MacKenzie Zone to determine what has happened to the routine collection of specimens.


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