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HOLLIS BOTTLING FACILITY

Plant Statistics

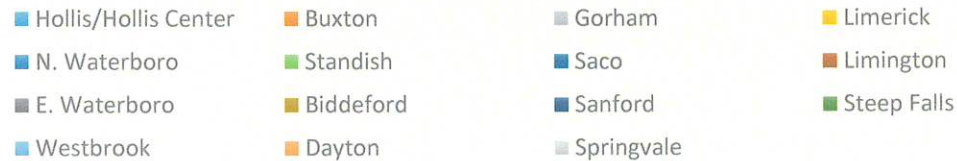
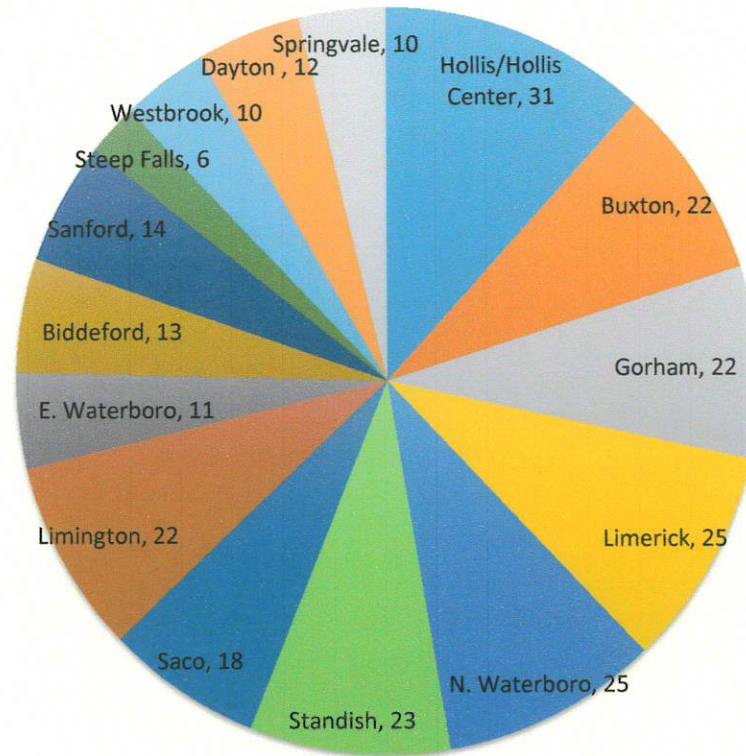
- Opened in **June 2000**
- **828,000** Square Feet
- **1,600 acres** of land
- 11 injection machines
- **16 blow molders**
- **13 bottling lines**
- **1 bulk line**
- **12 PET lines**



Poland Spring Proud

- **Number of Employees:**
396 full time and part time employees
- **Average Hourly Rate (Non-exempt):** \$29.79
- The **town of Hollis** represents the **largest** number of employees
- In 2023 we hired **61 Full Time Employees**

2023 Hollis Bottling Plant Employees by Town (Top 15 Locations)



GIVING BACK

- Bonny Eagle High School Girls Summer Basketball Jerseys
- Bonny Eagle Good Science Scholarships (5)
- Meeting House Cemetery Wreaths
- Hollis Pirate's Festival/Community Day
- Hollis Summer Recreation Program
- Hollis Heating Assistance
- Hollis Lions Club
- Community Giving Tree/Holiday Giving – Sponsored 2 families
- Food Bank Donations – over 2,000 lbs.
- Water donated to local schools impacted by contaminated water
- A large donation of boxes of school supplies donated to Hollis Elementary School



**70 turkeys
donated to the
Hollis Baptist Food
Pantry and
truckloads of
food!**



TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

- We take our role as a good neighbor seriously and we will continue working in collaboration with the town to address citizen concerns.
- In the Summer of 2023, TYLin was contracted by Poland Spring to assess transportation conditions associated with vehicle movements from the Poland Spring facility located off Killick Pond Road in Hollis, Maine.
- TYLin, based in Falmouth, offers more than 30 years of local experience with the capabilities of a national, Engineering News Record-ranked design firm (ranked 8th in transportation).
- TYLin recommended a list of strategies for improved access/egress movements that reduce impacts to the local community.



Suggested strategies for improved access/egress movements that reduce impacts to the local community.

- ❖ **MTA Exit 36 Improvements:** The MTA is currently constructing improvements that will reduce delays for trucks entering and exiting the turnpike and thus would help to keep trucks on the designated truck route. The project is expected to be completed in 2025. These improvements will have a significant positive impact on truck access to the facility. Northbound and Southbound trucks will be able to exit the turnpike onto Route 112 from the turnpike, thus eliminating the delay associated with travel along Industrial Park Road.
 - ❖ [this improvement will decrease travel time on the truck route and will make diversion to non-truck route roadways less desirable]
- ❖ **Facility Truck Entrance:** Redesign the facility truck entrance so that it makes left-turn exit movements and right-turn entry movements difficult. The driveway shall be designed to create a left-entry and right-exit driveway. In addition, signs should be provided at the driveway reinforcing right-turn movements.
 - ❖ [this improvement will reinforce the truck route and will make diversion to Route 35 difficult]
- ❖ **Install Advance Truck Route Sign:** Install additional truck route signs on Killick Pond Road approaching Plains Road.
 - ❖ [This improvement will keep trucks off Plains Road – Short-term Implementation]
- ❖ **Reconfigure Killick Pond Road and Plains Road intersection:** To make truck movements as simple as possible, Killick Pond Road could become the through movement and Plains Road traffic from the south would be STOP controlled. This would ensure that trucks would not miss the turn to the facility when traveling from Route 117.
 - ❖ [This improvement will keep trucks off Plains Road – Long Term Implementation]
- ❖ **Improve geometry at Route 117/Plains Road/Waterboro Road:** In general, the geometry at this intersection works reasonably well. During field observations there were some truck turns that were constrained. Implementing minor widening on the southeast corner would help to facilitate truck turns.
- ❖ **Install Speed Feedback Signs:** To address vehicle speeding it is suggested that speed feedback signs be installed on Route 117 between Plains Road/Waterboro Road and Route 35 and on Route 202 between the Route 117 intersections.
 - ❖ [this improvement seeks to reinforce speed limits and minimize speeding]
- ❖ **Improve Turning Geometry at Route 202 and Route 112:** The existing lane alignment of this intersection makes truck turns to and from Route 112 south of the intersection difficult. Trucks tend to turn very slowly. It is suggested that realigning the intersection be considered.
 - ❖ [this improvement will ease turn movements and will make diversion to non-truck route roadways less desirable]

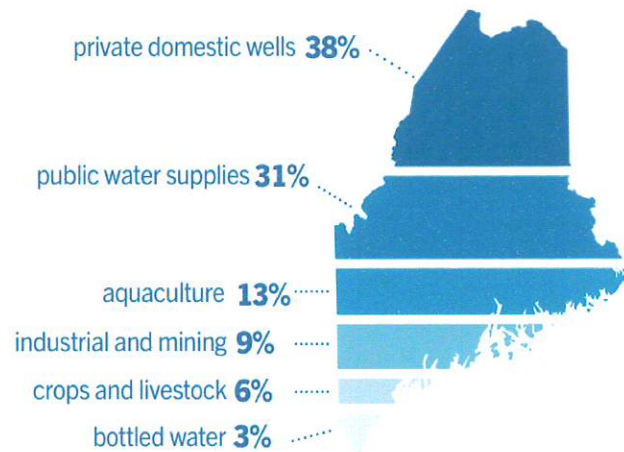


WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

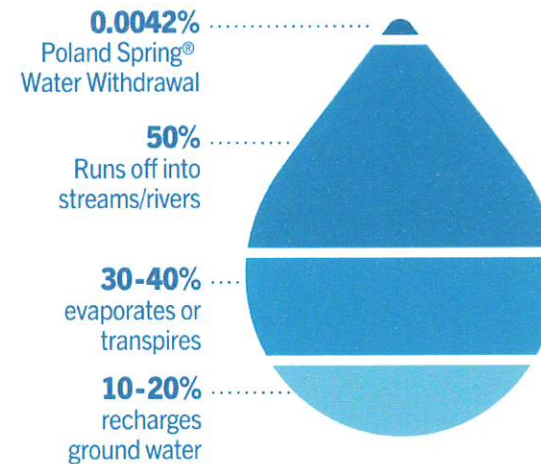
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MAINE'S RAPIDLY RENEWABLE RESOURCE

Maine's Annual Human Groundwater Use



Maine's Average Annual Rainfall



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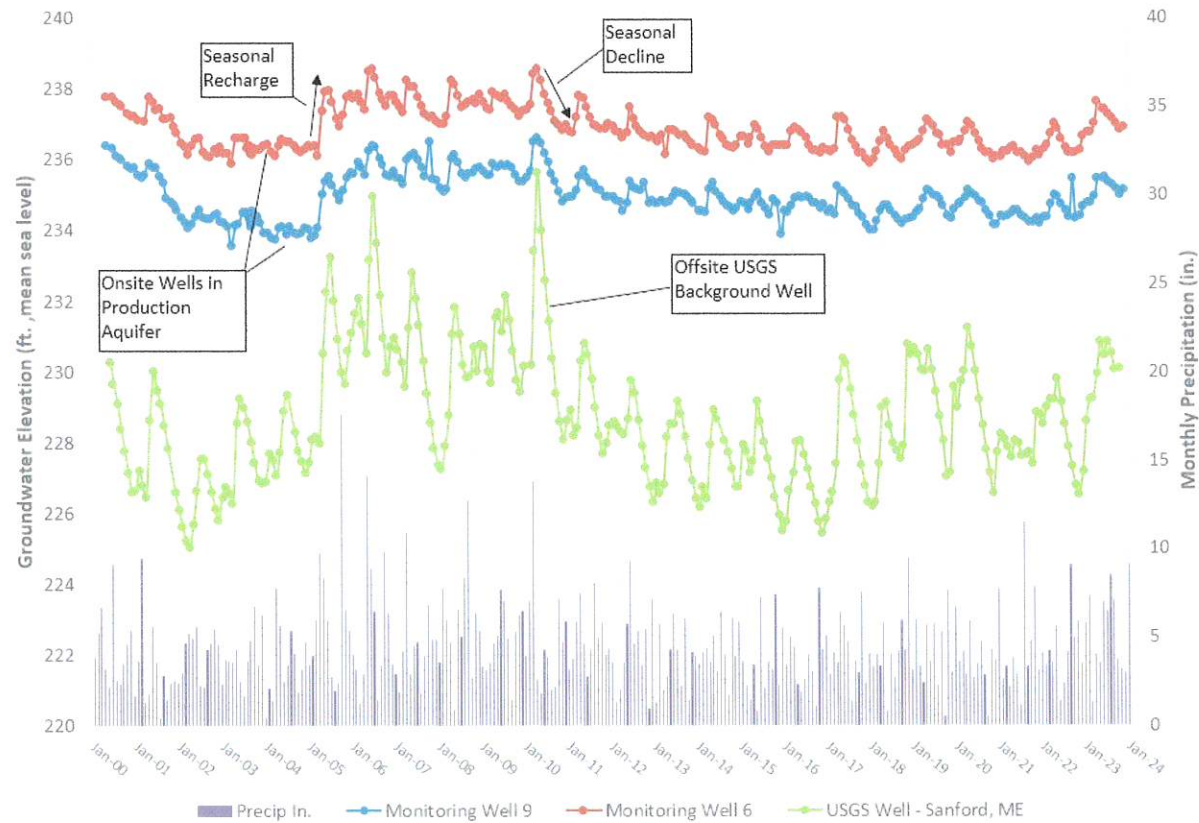
Recent Monitoring Results

- Water withdrawals by Poland Spring at Clear Spring in Hollis are regulated by the DEP and managed sustainably through proactive monitoring and responsible use by independent licensed professionals.
- Annually 9.8 billion gallons (BG) (52 inches - of water) fall on the Hollis watershed in the form of precipitation (based on a 29-year average).
- If Poland Spring were to withdraw the maximum volume allowed by the MEDEP Permit (237.7 million gallons (MG) per year), the water withdrawal permit represents less than 2.4% of the entire volume of water received in the watershed annually.
- 2023 spring water usage totaled 221.7 MG in Hollis.
- Licensed professionals have concluded that water withdrawals to date (2000-Present Day) have not resulted in adverse impacts to homeowner water supplies, groundwater, surface water, wetlands, or other natural resources.



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Groundwater Elevation Trends (Clear Spring Aquifer vs. Off-Site)



WATER RESOURCE

