

# Clear Water Legacy

**Clear Water Legacy** is a Water Distribution Systems Training and Consulting Service, created by Sheldon Thomas, retired manager of Water Distribution for the City of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

Having spent more than a quarter century operating and managing Hamilton's aged and complex Class IV water infrastructure, Mr. Thomas offers a wide range of services to managers of water systems, both large and small.

## Services include:

- Design and/or review of water asset maintenance and management procedures.
- Training in all aspects of hydrant and valve use, maintenance, repair and replacement.
- Instruction in proper operation of water distribution systems.  
Primary goals are to optimize system performance, safeguard water quality throughout the distribution system, minimize damage to water mains and appurtenances, and to prolong the useful life of water mains and distribution system hard assets.  
**All training curricula reviewed and approved by the Ontario Environmental Training Consortium.**
- Critique and evaluate the effectiveness of on-line water distribution maintenance programs.  
Design and implementation of customized asset maintenance procedures, enabling system administrators to establish a condition rating appraisal of their infrastructure.
- Creation of instructional 'tools' that will enable all managers, and general staff, to fully understand their water systems. Such informational packages help facilitate succession planning, and serve to broaden the base of expertise in any water system.

*"Sheldon is a skilled leader who advocates and demonstrates teamwork and staff development. His strong managerial and technical skills are complimented by his tremendous passion and valuable insight. I confidently recommend Sheldon for any position where these skills and attributes are valued."*

**Peter M. Crockett, P.Eng., General Manager, Public Works, City of Hamilton.**

*"Over the years, I have relied extensively on Sheldon's broad knowledge of the construction and operation of water distribution hardware. This knowledge, combined with his personal dedication to see problems solved, has contributed to the delivery of a well-maintained and functional water system for the residents of Hamilton"*

**Mark Robinson, P.Eng., Operations Engineer, City of Hamilton.**

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