

Source Protection Committee

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING 39

– April 8, 2011 at Brighton Barn Theatre, Proctor Park Conservation Area, Brighton

Welcome

Craig Kerr, Chair of Lower Trent Conservation and Counselor for the Municipality of Brighton, provided a welcome to the municipality. He also provided historical background on the Proctor-Simpson Barn, Proctor House Museum and Proctor Park Conservation Area.

Correspondence

The following *Clean Water Act* Source Protection Planning Bulletins were provided to the Committee:

- Pre-Consultation (March 25, 2011)
- Aggregate Resources Act Instruments (March 18, 2011)
- Certificates of Approval (March 18, 2011)

Drinking Water Stewardship Program – Signage Project

To heighten public awareness of vulnerable areas around municipal drinking water systems, plans are underway to install approximately 134 signs along roadways or at municipal drinking water systems. Each Conservation Authority has been working with local municipalities to identify appropriate locations and assist with installation. A total of \$20,500 was provided through the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program.

Review of Policy Concepts

Background information has been provided to the Committee for significant threats including:

- 2 page summary fact sheet
- Ministry of the Environment Backgrounder
- table of where threats exist within the Source Protection Region

Draft policy concepts, which included preliminary comments from the Municipal Working Groups, were reviewed by the Committee for the following threats:

- Commercial Fertilizer
- Agricultural Source Material
- Non-Agricultural Source Material
- DNAPLs, Organic Solvents
- Road Salt

Amended Proposed Assessment Reports

The Committee has now been presented with all the technical information intended for inclusion in the *Draft* Amended Proposed Trent and Ganaraska Assessment Reports. A 30 day consultation period will be required once the documents are amended based on comments from the Ministry of the Environment. A summary document of the changes, along with the amended reports and maps will be posted on the website which is anticipated to be completed by the end of April with the consultation period through May. The Committee agreed with this approach.

Future Meetings

Committee meeting dates for the next six months were selected: July 21, August 16, September 14, October 5, November 9 and December 7. Locations for these meetings yet to be determined.

Municipal Working Group Terms of Reference

The Committee approved the revised Municipal Working Group Terms of Reference.

Notices of Plan Preparation

The Committee approved the final draft of the “Notice of Plan Preparation” letter for circulation to landowners identified as engaging in one or more activities that are significant drinking water threats. The notices will be sent during the first two weeks of May.

SPC Member Resignation

Bruce Craig, municipal representative for the Ganaraska Source Protection Area, announced his resignation from the Committee due to his retirement from Lakefront Utilities. Committee members expressed their sincere thanks to Bruce.

Update on Public Engagements

Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan noted the Ontario Water Works Association/Ontario Municipal Water Association Joint Annual Conference is scheduled for May 1-4, 2011 at the Blue Mountain Resort, Town of Blue Mountain. More details at www.omwa.org.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2011 at Asphodel-Norwood Community Centre, Norwood.