

DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION

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TRENT
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SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

JUNE 15, 2012

ASPHODEL-NORWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE, NORWOOD, ON

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PRESENT	REGRETS	ABSENT	NOTES
Jim Hunt	✓			
Monica Berdin	✓			
Darla Blodgett	✓			
Alanna Boulton	✓			
Dave Burton			✓	
Bill Cornfield	✓			
Edgar Cornish	✓			
Pam Crowe	✓			
Kerry Doughty	✓			
Bobbie Drew	✓			
Rob Franklin		✓		
Mike Gibbs	✓			
Dave Golem	✓			
Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan	✓			
Robert Lake	✓			
Gerald McGregor	✓			
Glenn Milne	✓			Arrived at 11:00 a.m.
Terry Rees	✓			Left at noon
Mary Smith	✓			
Bev Spencer	✓			
Richard Straka	✓			
Wayne Stiver		✓		
Alix Taylor	✓			
Mae Whetung	✓			
Dave Workman	✓			
SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE LIAISONS	PRESENT	REGRETS	ABSENT	NOTES
Glenda Rodgers	✓			
Clare Mitchell	✓			

COMMITTEE SUPPORT STAFF:

Jennifer Stephens
Marilyn Bucholtz
Myriam Genet

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CONSERVATION AUTHORITY STAFF:

Ganaraska Region SPA: Mark Peacock, Pam Lancaster

Kawartha-Haliburton SPA: Mark Majchrowski, Paul Buckley

Lower Trent SPA: Cristal Heintzman

Otonabee-Peterborough SPA: Meredith Carter, Alan Seabrooke

TCC Regional Staff: Diana Tyner

1. WELCOME

Chair Hunt welcomed the Committee to the 52nd Source Protection Committee Meeting.

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

3. DISCLOSURE OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Two additional items were added to the agenda under *Correspondence*:

- I. MOE Comments to source protection committees and authorities from ADM John Stager (13 June 2012)
- II. OMAFRA Technical Guidance (14 June 2012)

Item 12 was amended to read: Allocation of Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP) Funds

Item 13 was amended to read: Submission of Business Case

SPC 2012-06-15-01

By consensus, the TCC SPC approved the agenda with the above changes and additions.

5. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – MAY 17 AND MAY 22, 2012

Jennifer Stephens reviewed the minutes with the Committee. Chair Hunt asked for any revisions or omissions.

SPC 2012-06-15-02

By consensus, the TCCSPC approved the minutes from the May 17 and May 22, 2012 meetings.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

There was no business arising.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Kate Kusiak, CTC to J. Hunt and J. Stephens, re: CTC SPC extension to submission of SPP (6 June 2012)
- b. J. Hunt to TCC SPAs, re: Chairs Quarterly Report (1 June 2012)
- c. Mary Anne Covelli, MOE SPPB to SPC Chairs and PMs, re: Submission of SPP (25 May 2012)
- d. Andrea Gummo, MMAH to J. Stephens, re: Draft SPP Policies (23 May 2012)
- e. Lynn Dollin, SGBLS to J. Stephens, re: SGBLS SPC extension to submission of SPP (22 May 2012)
- f. MOE Comments to SPCs, SPAs(13 June 2012)
- g. OMAFRA Technical Guidance (14 June 2012)

Jennifer Stephens reviewed the items of correspondence with the Committee.

SPC 2012-06-15-03

By consensus, the TCCSPC received the items of correspondence a to e inclusive for information. Items f and g would be discussed under agenda item 9.

9. PUBLICATION OF SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN AND EXPLANATORY DOCUMENT (STAFF REPORT 11/12 (D))

Jennifer Stephens reported that all comments discussed at the May SPC meetings have been incorporated into the revised source protection plans.

While reviewing the Plan and Explanatory Document, items of correspondence f and g were discussed. Both the Ministry of the Environment and Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs have provided recommended policy text to source protection committees. The comments and suggestions put forward by both ministries would result in changes to some of the policies developed by the TCCSPC. After considerable discussion, the Committee decided not to accept the suggested changes. The Explanatory Document will explain why the TCCSPC opted to keep the policies as written.

SPC 2012-06-15-04

By consensus, the TCCSPC agreed NOT to accept the suggested changes from MOE and OMAFRA.

A chapter by chapter review of the source protection plan was undertaken. The following sections were identified as requiring revision:

LOCATION	CHANGE
First page – TCC SPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include the name of the SPA for municipal representatives
Table of Contents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add page numbers • Chapter 3 – numbers need revisions • Chapter 4 – numbers need revisions
2.4 Development of the Source Protection Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 2.3.6 is incorrect • Last sentence – change “in” to “is”
3.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First bullet – change “their” to read “His/her”
4.1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add “table 4.1 below....” (as written on the next page)
4.3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cannot find title discussion in the explanatory document. Update.
G-8(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last word – RMP – change to RMO.
Sewer Treatment Plant Bypasses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verify Table of Circumstances re: “average daily discharge volume (on an annual basis)
Policy S-10(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change E to F
Pages 33 – 37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add table numbers
Policy A-4(3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change E to F
Policy 4-2(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specify that a recurring inspection is required, otherwise cyclical every 5 years.
Policy R-2(1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under a) – find a stronger word than “consideration”
Policy R-4(1) and (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be consistent – use abbreviations (change Ministry of Transportation to MTO)
Policy No. W-2(1) and (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change to E to F

It was agreed that any other edits found by Committee members could be forwarded to Jennifer no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2012.

SPC 2012-06-15-05

By consensus, the TCCSPC approved the submission of the revised source protection plan to the five source protection authorities:

Resolution 11/12:

THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees to the submission of the Proposed Trent and Ganaraska Source Protection Plans, as well as the Explanatory Document to the 5 source protection authorities with the direction to post the documents for a period of 30 days.

10. CIRCULATION OF ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENT (STAFF REPORT 12/12 (D))

Jennifer Stephens noted that through the development of the Assessment Reports and Source Protection Plans, the Committee had become aware of a number of drinking water related concerns that could not be captured in either document. The Ministry of the Environment has advised that a document can be submitted with the source protection plan outlining these concerns. The document will be provided to the source protection authorities with the source protection plan and explanatory document in early August to obtain the necessary resolution to submit all materials to the Minister of the Environment.

SPC 2012-06-15-06

By consensus, the TCCSPC approved the submission of the accompanying document to the Minister of the Environment:

Resolution 12/12:

THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees to the circulation of the *Accompanying Document* to the 5 source protection authorities with the direction to submit it, together with the Proposed Trent and Ganaraska Source Protection Plans, as well as the Explanatory Document, to the Minister of the Environment in August 2012.

11. CIRCULATION OF RESPONSE DOCUMENT (STAFF REPORT 13/12 (D))

Some TCC SPR municipalities have requested a summary of all comments received during pre-consultation and the first formal consultation period, as well as responses to this feedback. A document has been prepared that lists all comments, whether they could be addressed, and how they were addressed. Jennifer Stephens reported that the document is still in *draft* form, but is intended to be complete for the date on which municipalities will be notified that the Proposed Trent and Ganaraska Source Protection Plans, as well as the Explanatory Document have been posted for consultation.

SPC 2012-06-15-07

By consensus, the TCCSPC approved the circulation of the Response Document to municipalities:

Resolution 13/12:

THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees to the circulation of the Response Document to TCC SPR municipalities at the same time that the Source Protection Plans and Explanatory Document are posted for the second public consultation period.

12. ALLOCATION OF ODWSP FUNDS (STAFF REPORT 14/12)(D)

Jennifer Stephens reviewed the local threat identified in the Otonabee-Peterborough Source Protection Area (specific to the Lakefield and Peterborough Drinking Water Systems): *Maintaining open areas of mown grass for recreational activities that promote the congregation of waterfowl within or near surface water bodies.*

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Risk management measures have been added to the Risk Management Measures Catalogue to address this local threat. These measures include:

- Landscape modification: barriers
- Landscape modification: modify habitat
- Hazing / scaring of birds
- Roundups, removal, and relocation of birds
- Provide alternative feeding areas

When the TCCSPR submitted its Early Response application for funding, the local threat was not identified as a priority threat for which funds could be allocated. Jennifer noted that if a letter of support is received from the SPC, funds could be transferred to allow the Review Committee to consider funding any applications submitted to address the local threat.

SPC 2012-06-15-08

By consensus, the Source Protection approved the following Resolution:

Resolution 14/12:

THAT the TCC SPC directs staff to prepare a letter of support advising that the Committee agrees with transferring funds for the purposes of funding a stewardship project to manage the local threat identified in the Otonabee – Peterborough SPA.

13. BUSINESS CASE

Jennifer Stephens reported that the TCC received detailed feedback from 4 TCC SPR municipalities, as well as suggestions to improve the submission. Once complete, Jennifer will circulate the document to the TCCSPC (and through CA staff to MWG members) electronically. Edgar Cornish and Alanna Boulton will receive the document by courier. Feedback on the *draft* business case will be incorporated into a revised document to be submitted to the Province.

SPC 2012-06-15-09

By consensus, the TCCSPC agreed that the Business Case would be submitted to the Province after providing municipal staff and Committee members the opportunity to provide feedback.

14. REPORTS/UPDATES

❖ Staff

a. *Great Lakes Protection Act*

- Jennifer Stephens provided a brief overview of the *Great Lakes Protection Act*, which recently had its first reading in the Ontario legislature. The *Act* and the *Draft* Great Lakes Strategy have been posted on the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry for a period of 60 days. Jennifer intends to submit comments on behalf of the TCCSPR. Bev suggested that the Committee should receive a copy of these comments. Jennifer will provide the Committee with a copy of any comments submitted on the *draft* legislation and will keep the Committee advised of changes to the legislation as a result of feedback obtained through consultation with the public.

- b. Source Protection Program – Next Steps (Presentation)
 - Jennifer Stephens noted that with finalizing the source protection plans, the TCCSPC had reached a milestone; however, its work is not done. Jennifer reported that she took the RMO/RMI Training Course. The source protection planning program Next steps will include preparing for implementation.
- c. Media
 - Winnipeg Free Press – Pipeline Spill – 9 June 2012
 - QMI Agency Poll – Clean Water Tops Environmental Concerns – 23 May 2012
 - The Star – Oakville Urges Drilling Halt – Geothermal Energy Installations – 23 May 2012
 - The Star – Ontario Sets Drilling Rules to Prevent Disaster – 23 May 2012
 - Manitoba Considers New Groundwater Rules – 10 May 2012

SPC 2012-06-15-10

By consensus, the TCC SPC received the media printouts for information.

❖ Municipal Working Groups

- a. GRSPA MWG Minutes – 9 May 2012 (Circulated)
- b. CVSPA MWG Minutes – 24 May 2012 (Circulated)
- c. KHSPA MWG Minutes – 24 May 2012 (Circulated)

SPC 2012-06-15-11

By consensus, the TCC SPC received the municipal working group minutes for information.

❖ Committee Members (updates on public engagement/conferences)

- Bev Spencer and Glenn Milne attended the Northumberland Federation of Agriculture Meeting on June 12, 2012. Pam Lancaster (GRCA) presented to members in attendance.
- Monica Berdin reported that she attended an open house at Fleming College's Centre for Alternative Wastewater Treatment.
- Mary Smith reported on Kawartha Lakes Stewards Annual Spring Meeting and the release of the Lake Water Quality Report: *Algae – Too Much of a Good Thing*.

15. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

17. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at the Norwood Community Centre.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hunt wished everyone a pleasant summer. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.