

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 26, 2023
ASPHODEL-NORWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE
MINUTES

ATTENDEES

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PRESENT	REGRETS	NOTES
Jim Hunt (Chair)	✓		
Alanna Boulton		✓	
Alexander Hukowich	✓		
Anne Butwell		✓	
Beverley Spencer	✓		
Bonnie Clark	✓		
Cecil Ryall	✓		
Cindy Broughton	✓		
Darla Blodgett		✓	
Dave Workman	✓		
Faye Langmaid	✓		
George Offshack	✓		
Glenn Milne	✓		
Jessica Ferri		✓	
Kristin Muskratt		✓	
Lori Burt		✓	Assigned her proxy to Bonnie Clark
Mike Gibbs	✓		
Paul Pentikainen	✓		
Philip Niblett	✓		
Rene Gagnon		✓	Assigned his proxy to Bob Lake
Richard Straka		✓	
Rob Franklin		✓	Assigned his proxy to Faye Langmaid
Robert (Bob) Lake	✓		
Terry Rees	✓		
Tracey Taylor		✓	

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE LIAISONS	PRESENT	REGRETS	NOTES
Julie Ingram		✓	
Mary Wooding (MECP)	✓		
Rhonda Bateman		✓	

*Chair position Currently Expired. Waiting for re-appointment.

COMMITTEE SUPPORT STAFF:

Keith Taylor, Trent Bos

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SOURCE PROTECTION AUTHORITY (SPA) STAFF:

Crowe Valley SPA: Andrew McIntyre

Kawartha-Haliburton SPA: Jenna Stephens

Otonabee-Peterborough SPA: Meredith Carter, Terri Cox

Ganaraska SPA: Cory Harris

Lower Trent SPA: Anne Anderson

OTHER STAFF:**1. WELCOME, CALL TO ORDER, INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND ROLL CALL**

- The meeting was called to order at 10:17 AM. Philip Niblett gave an Indigenous Acknowledgement.
- Proxies for attendance were assigned from Lori Burt to Bonnie Clark, Rene Gagnon to Robert Lake, Rob Franklin to Faye Langmaid.

2. DISCLOSURE OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**SPC 2023-06-26-01**

BY CONSENSUS THAT Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approved the agenda.

4. DELEGATIONS

- There were no delegations.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**SPC 2023-06-26-02**

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approved the minutes as corrected, for the March, 2023 Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee meeting.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- No business arising from the previous minutes.

7. CHAIRS REPORT

- J. Hunt noted there was a one-on-one meeting with Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Source Protection Branch Director, Kirsten Service discussing the source protection program moving forward. M. Wooding shared MECP intentions to maintain open dialogues with Source Protection Regions and Chairs.

SPC 2023-06-26-03

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the Chair's oral report as information.

8. LEADS REPORT

- Each Source Protection Authority (SPA) Lead Staff member provided a verbal report on the status of their local source protection implementation, including:
 - a. Training of new municipal staff regarding the source protection program;
 - b. Update on municipal working groups and their comments on the proposed s.36 Amendments;
 - c. Update on risk management plans and RMO progress;
 - d. Current issues or challenges;
 - e. Positive progress news;
 - f. Update on education and outreach efforts.

SPC 2023-06-26-04

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the Leads oral reports as information.

9. PRE-CONSULTATION COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SECTION 36 AMENDMENTS

- K. Taylor provided an overview of the comments received during the pre-consultation phase of the S.36 Amendment. This phase includes comments from implementers of the Source Protection Plan, including: Transport Canada, OMAFRA, Risk Management Officials, Trans Northern Pipeline Inc., and the Source Protection Authority Municipal Working Groups.
- Transport Canada commented that the Source Protection Committee self-assess if the project is located on Federal Land.

SPC 2023-06-26-05

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment from Transport Canada as information.

- OMAFRA provided three comments, regarding policies A-2 and A-3, A-4, and N-1.

SPC 2023-06-26-06

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves adding the text “where not already required” to policies A-2 and A-3.

SPC 2023-06-26-07

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment from OMAFRA as information and approves removing “with a vulnerability score of 9 or higher” from A-4(1) and A-4(4).

SPC 2023-06-26-08

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment on Policy N-1 from OMAFRA as information.

- The RMO from Marmora, and Source Protection Program Manager from Quinte Conservation, Amy Dickens, provided general comments and a suggestion for policy O-1(3) regarding snow dumps.

SPC 2023-06-26-09

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comments from Amy Dickens as information.

- Trans Northern Pipeline Inc. (TNPI) provided comments on policies G-6(6) (Signage), HP-2 (water crossings), HP-5 (location of equipment near watercourses), HP-6 (conservation authorities), HP-8 (requests for information on integrity inspections and maintenance) and HP-9 (moderate and low-threat policy).
- P. Niblett inquired for further information on the “current industry best practices” suggested to include in policy HP-5. K. Taylor suggested that TNPI would be willing to attend a future meeting to provide more information regarding this, and that this information is available online.

SPC 2023-06-26-10

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment from Trans Northern Pipeline Inc. on Policy G-6(6) as information, and encourages dialogue with them to provide the opportunity to review the signage expectations in coordination with the Source Protection Committee and applicable Conservation Authority, and to discuss the future potential of natural gas use in pipelines.

SPC 2023-06-26-11

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment from Trans Northern Pipeline Inc. and approves modifying Policy HP-2 in the Trent SPP, and L-2(2) in the Ganaraska SPP, to read “with regard to hydrocarbon pipelines crossing a body of open water this is considered a significant drinking water threat, the pipeline owner is to meet the current industry best practices.”

SPC 2023-06-26-12

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment on Policy HP-5 from Trans Northern Pipeline Inc. as information and that no amendments are required for the policy.

SPC 2023-06-26-13

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment on Policy HP-6 from Trans Northern Pipeline Inc. as information and encourage the Conservation Authority to provide the necessary information to the pipeline company.

SPC 2023-06-26-14

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves changing Policy HP-8 in the Trent Source Protection Plan and L-2(8) in the Ganaraska Source Protection Plan to read “The Conservation Authority is to request to receive by February 1, information from the owner of the pipeline, pertaining to pipeline maintenance within the Source Protection Area for the previous calendar year.” And remove the reference to the Ganaraska Conservation Authority in HP-8.

SPC 2023-06-26-15

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment from Trans Northern Pipeline on Policy HP-9 as information and that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

COMBINED RISK MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL COMMENTS

- K. Taylor reviewed the comments received from Risk Management Officials Terri Cox (Otonabee-Peterborough SPA), Jenna Stephens (Kawartha-Haliburton SPA) and Marcus Rice (Lower Trent SPA) regarding the proposed amendments on Policies F-2(2) - Fuel, O-1(3) – Snow Storage, O-2 – Snow Storage, O-3 – Snow Storage, A-4 – Agriculture (including pesticide exemption), D-1, D-2, D-3 - DNAPLs, and R-1(1) – Road Salt.

SPC 2023-06-26-16

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves adding the following definition for the fuel preamble: “Infrastructure relates to the equipment and systems needed to produce, distribute, store, monitor and dispense fuel.”

SPC 2023-06-26-17

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees that the implementation of Policy O-1(3) would not be a conflict of interest and that no amendments are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-18

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees that the implementation of Policy O-2 would not be a conflict of interest and that no amendments are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-19

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees to amend policy O-3 to Policy O-3(1): “The activity is designated for the purpose of section 58 of the Clean Water Act, 2006 for commercial or industrial parking lots greater than 50 parking spaces or 1500 square meters. The risk management plan will be prepared in accordance with the general provisions given in policy G-8”

And: Add a Specify Action Must Conform Policy O-3(2) with the following policy text: “Where the existing and future snow storage on commercial or industrial parking lots or properties is a significant drinking water threat, the Municipality shall develop and initiate an ongoing education and outreach program designed to raise the awareness of the impact snow storage has on drinking water sources and best management practices to help reduce the negative impact.”

SPC 2023-06-26-20

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment regarding Policy O-3 and agrees that no amendment is necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-21

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees the comment on Policy O-3 has been resolved by adopting the recommendation that Part IV Policies only apply to areas with more than 50 parking spaces or greater than 1,500 square meters.

SPC 2023-06-26-22

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment on Policy A-4 and approves adding to the pesticide preamble: “For practical reasons, pesticides applied or used in

small quantities such as household use, are exempt from Policies A-1 and A-4 and will instead be addressed through education and outreach.”

SPC 2023-06-26-23

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees that Policy A-4(2) would require risk management plans for any pesticide use that is exempt from prohibition in Policy A-4(1) and that no amendments are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-24

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the comment on Policy A-4 regarding “orders” and agrees that no amendments to Policy A-4 are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-25

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves adding a new Must Conform Specify Action Policy A-4(5) with the policy text: “Where small quantities of pesticide that would be existing or future significant drinking water threats, the Municipality shall develop and initiate an ongoing education and outreach program designed to raise the awareness of the impact of pesticide use on drinking water sources and best management practices to help reduce the negative impact.

SPC 2023-06-26-26

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee agrees that education and outreach can be used to address salt used as a pesticide.

SPC 2023-06-26-27

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question regarding whether education and outreach can be used for the “exempt uses” and answer “yes” as information.

SPC 2023-06-26-28

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves revising the Preamble text for policies D-1, D-2 and D-3 from “regardless of where the handling or storage of DNAPLs takes place” to “regardless of the grade at which handling or storage occurs.”

SPC 2023-06-26-29

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves amending Policy R-1(1) text to read: “The activity is designated for the purpose of section 58 of the Clean Water Act, 2006 for private owned parking lots greater than 50 parking spaces, or 1,500 square metres if the parking lot is unmarked.”

SPC 2023-06-26-30

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question regarding parking lots that are partially in the vulnerable area, and the answer “this depends on the circumstance and is up to the discretion of the Risk Management Official” on Policy R-1(1) as information.

SPC 2023-06-26-31

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer regarding salt management plans on Policy R-1(1) as information.

KAWARTHA-HALIBURTON MUNICIPAL WORKING GROUP COMMENTS

- K. Taylor provided an overview of the comments received from the Kawartha-Haliburton Municipal Working Group on policies S-6 – Sewage Systems, A-2 and A-3 – Agriculture (including pesticide permits, the impact on future land-owners, and the impact on non-agricultural land), R-1(3) and R-1(4) and R-1(5) – Road Salt.

SPC 2023-06-26-32

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer regarding pumping systems on Policy S-6 as information.

SPC 2023-06-26-33

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer on Policy S-6 regarding Prescribed Instruments as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-34

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer regarding pesticide permits on Policies A-2 and A-3 as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-35

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer regarding new future property owners on Policies A-2 and A-3 as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-36

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the question and answer regarding the impact on non-agricultural lands for Policies A-2 and A-3 as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-37

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-1(3) and R-1(4) as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-38

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-1(3) and R-1(4) as information.

SPC 2023-06-26-39

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-1(3) and R-1(4) regarding potential conflicts with the commitments and obligations of a municipality as information and agrees that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-40

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-1(5) regarding “sampling and testing of raw water” as information and agree that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-41

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-5 and R-6 regarding enforcement of these policies as information and agree that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-42

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-1(5) regarding “sampling and testing of raw water” as information and agree that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-43

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy R-5 and R-6 regarding “the cost impact of a robust education and outreach program” as information and agree that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-44

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response regarding snow storage as information and agree that no further amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-45

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the comment and response on Policy OT-2(2) regarding geothermal heating systems and Transport Pathways as information and agree that no amendments to the policy are necessary.

SPC 2023-06-26-46

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves adding the words “or repaired” to Policy OT-2(2) after “decommissioned.” The new policy is to read: “3. Incorporate a condition of approval for the development application(s) that any wells on the subject property that are no longer in use or are substandard are decommissioned *or repaired*, In accordance with Ontario Regulation 903.”

SPC 2023-06-26-47

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receives the general comments regarding staffing, budgetary impacts, and timelines for RMPs as information and no amendments to the policies are necessary.

PRE-CONSULTATION COMMENT**SPC 2023-06-26-48**

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee direct staff to contact all parties that submitted comments to thank them and provide the resulting committee decisions.

10. NEXT STEPS

- K. Taylor provided an overview of the next steps involved in the S.36 Amendment, including making necessary changes to the policies based off pre-consultation comments, and Source Protection Committee approve moving forward to the Public Consultation Stage.

SPC 2023-06-26-49

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee approves moving forward with a 35-day Public Consultation period for the Section 36 Amendments and approves requesting that the Lower Trent Source Protection Authority initiates the Public Consultation process.

11. INCREASING MUNICIPAL ENGAGEMENT – GEORGE OFFSHACK

- G. Offshack inquired about increasing municipal engagement in areas with a lot of municipal staff turnover, small municipalities and low turnout and engagement in municipal working groups such as in Crowe Valley CA. Staff discussed the potential merging of Crowe Valley's municipal working groups with Lower Trent's in the future.

12. BEST PRACTICES FOR OTHER SYSTEMS

- T. Bos provided a report on the Best Practices Program to the committee, including work that has been done and future projects including a webinar program.
- F. Langmaid suggested incorporating "Drinking" into the title (Drinking Water Wise, etc.).

SPC 2023-06-26-11

BY CONSENSUS THAT the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee receive the oral report on the Best Practices program as information.

13. ROUNDTABLE

- G. Offshack noted an individual in the region donating roughly 21,000 acres to the Nature Conservancy of Canada.
- P. Niblett inquired about an orientation session for new SPC members and any materials needing to be signed. K. Taylor noted staff will be in touch regarding setting up a meeting shortly, and those documents will be passed along.

14. NEXT MEETING

- K. Taylor noted there is no set date as of now, but likely after the 35-day Public Consultation period in late October.

15. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 2:46 PM.