



DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION

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Liaison Officer Roles and Responsibilities

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Ministry of Environment Liaison - General Role

- Attend SPC liaison meetings as Crown liaison → non-voting member
- Primary link between the Ministry and the Source Protection Committee/Source Protection Authority:
 - Facilitate flow of information between the Ministry and SPCs/SPAs
 - Communicate program updates and direction
 - Answer SPC questions and provide support to information requests from SPC members, SPC chairs and Source Protection Authority staff

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Issues Management

- Coordinate and manage responses to issues arising from the planning process:
 - Examples: uranium inquiries, stewardship, technical issues
- Facilitation role and support for local issues management

Information Management

- Section 87 – legislative obligation for information sharing under the Clean Water Act

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Support Roles

- Training (Operations Division/Safe Drinking Water Branch)
- Communication and outreach
- First Nations
- Federal engagement
- Transboundary issues- Quebec and the Ottawa River
- Great Lakes

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**Durham Region Health Department, Haliburton-Kawartha- Pineridge
District Health Unit, and Peterborough County City Health Unit**

General Role of the Public Health Liaison

- Appointed by the Minister of the Environment to act as a representative for the Medical Officer of Health
- No voting privileges
- Anne Alexander representing the HKPDHU is the Health Liaison for the committee - Tom Cathcart is the designated alternate
- Attend Source Protection Committee meetings and participate in discussions concerning public health involvement
- Provide information to committee members concerning Ontario Public Health Standards which are published guidelines under the MOHLTC and the HPPA

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Source Protection Authority Liaison

General Role

- Attend the SPC meetings and participate in discussions as a non voting member (alternates from other TCC SPAs can attend as required)
- Answer questions and provide information/context regarding SPA / CA that may affect the work of the SPC
- Facilitate the flow of information between the SPC and the SPAs and vice versa

Lead SPA and Administrative Committee Reporting Role

- Ensure that the technical and administrative support for the SPC is in place and effective
- Ensure that there is timely action (as required) to filling vacancies on the SPC

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Input/feedback