

Source Protection Committee

Meeting Summary

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING 30

– July 14, 2010 at Ganaraska Forest Centre

Welcome to the Ganaraska Forest

Linda Laliberte welcomed the Committee and Mark Peacock provided a presentation on the Oak Ridges Moraine, Ganaraska Forest and Ganaraska Forest Centre.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was accepted as information by the Source Protection Committee:

- a. Otonabee-Peterborough Source Protection Authority re: municipal meeting – May 10/10 (and response June 17/10)
- b. Otonabee-Peterborough Source Protection Area Municipal Working Group re: CELA TCC Publication – June 25/10
- c. Ministry of the Environment re: approval of extension of the due date for the completion of the Assessment Report to October 29/10 – July 8/10

Technical Reports

The Committee accepted the following results:

- Final vulnerability, issues and threats by Genivar for 13 City of Kawartha Lakes groundwater systems (Woods of Manilla, Sonya, Mariposa Estates, King's Bay, Pleasant Point, Canadian Shores, Janetville, Woodfield, Manorview Estates, Victoria Glen, Victoria Place, Birch Point, Pinewood)
- Groundwater vulnerability assessment completed by XCG Consultants for Stirling municipal system
- Threats assessment completed by XCG Consultants for the southern municipal well systems (Stirling, Keene Heights, Crystal Springs, Millbrook, Brighton, Colborne, Grafton)

Draft Proposed Assessment Reports – Comments

Glenda Rodgers provided an overview of the comments received during the public consultation on the draft proposed Assessment Reports. A total of 363 people participated in the public consultation process as follows:

- Public meeting attendance
 - 80 people attended 6 public meetings
- Landowner Responses to Letters (approx 1,000 sent)
 - 85 phone calls
 - 188 comment forms returned

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- Written Comments
 - 10 submissions

The Assessment Reports will be revised through July and August based on the comments received. A second (30-day) consultation period will take place in September/early October. The Reports are anticipated to be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment by October 29, 2010.

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program – Early Response Application

Glenda Rodgers provided an overview of the next funding phase of the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program. The Early Response phase is aimed at addressing significant drinking water threats identified in the Assessment Reports and will provide funding to assist landowners that volunteer to carry out projects.

An application to the Ministry of the Environment to access funds for the grant program must be submitted by September 30. The Source Protection Committee will review the draft application at the August 20th SPC meeting.

‘Special project’ applications can be submitted directly to MOE for projects over \$100,000 and for municipalities for land securement around a municipal well (100 metres only). Kawartha Conservation proposes to submit a special projects application for a pilot project related to private sewage system inspection.

Accessibility Training

The Ministry of the Environment (MOE) requires all SPCs and Project Managers to take Accessible Customer Service Training to help MOE meet legal obligations under the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service. Committee members are to advise Myriam once the training has been completed.

Source Protection Plan Regulation

Glenda Rodgers suggested that Committee members become familiar with the Source Protection Plan Regulations. Wendy Lavender provided highlights and said that a good understanding of the regulations will be very important for developing the Source Protection Plan. Informative fact sheets are available, and Wendy will give a presentation at a future meeting. Training will be provided in the fall.

Updates on Public Engagement/Conferences

- Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan attended a meeting focusing on the development of innovative water technology in Ontario.
- Terry Rees attended the 2010 Freshwater Summit “From Science to Policy” on June 1-2, 2010.
- Monica Berdin reported that Bruce Davidson was a speaker at the Gaming Nature Summer Lakeshore Music Festival held on June 19.

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting will be held on August 20, 2010 at the Bobcaygeon Municipal Building in Bobcaygeon.