

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING 31

– August 20, 2010 at the Bobcaygeon Municipal Service Centre, Bobcaygeon

Welcome to Bobcaygeon

Monica Berdin provided a very entertaining audio-visual presentation introducing the Committee to Bobcaygeon. It highlighted not only the history of the region but some of the economic activities and natural features of the region.

Correspondence

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

- a. Ian Smith, Ministry of the Environment re: Tier 2 Water Budget Process – July 13/10

Finalization of the Proposed Assessment Report

Glenda Rodgers provided the Committee with updates on the progress of finalizing the Proposed Assessment Reports as follows:

- Status report on revisions based on comments
- Items to be addressed in updated Assessment Reports
- Timelines for submission to Source Protection Authorities and Public Consultation (Round 2)

The Committee agreed that the Proposed Trent Conservation Coalition Assessment Reports be finalized and submitted to the Source Protection Authorities no later than September 10, 2010 to initiate the second round of public consultation.

Special Projects Application

Mark Majchrowski provided an overview of Kawartha Conservation's proposed project on assessing septic systems. Kawartha Conservation was seeking support from the Source Protection Committee. Staff will be requesting permission to use technical studies funds for this project rather than stewardship funds.

Draft Early Response Application – Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP)

Through the ODWSP (Early Response phase), MOE will provide funding to Conservation Authorities to assist landowners that volunteer to carry out projects to address significant drinking water threats.

The SPC agreed to prioritize mitigative measures for the application based on addressing:

- threats associated with issues – Blackstock (Nitrate), Stirling (*E.coli*)
 - funding would also be available for these threats for other municipal systems
- most numerous threats – septic systems, below grade storage of heating oil

- threats with long term impact - DNAPLS and organic solvents
- transport pathways (wells)
- congregation of geese

A review Committee comprised of one staff member from each CA, a regional team staff member, and three SPC members will be responsible for:

- finalizing application which will include identifying the appropriate mitigative measures to be funded and determining funding rates and caps for measures
- prioritizing/approving applications from applicants (after funding received).

SPC representatives on the Review Committee are Bev Spence, Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan and Bruce Craig.

The Committee also agreed to support any municipal Early Response applications to MOE (within the TCC Source Protection Region) for funding to purchase lands adjacent to municipal wells (100 m radius).

A presentation on the application to access funds for the grant program will be provided to the SPC at the September meeting prior to being submitted to the Ministry of the Environment by September 30.

Source Protection Plan Regulation – Introduction

The Source Protection Plan Regulation is contained within General Regulation 287. It governs what must be, or can be, in a source protection plan. It also governs the public consultation process. General discussion took place on how the Committee would like to consult with municipalities, landowners and other stakeholders through the development of the Source Protection Plans.

Updates on Public Engagement/Conferences

- Terry Rees – Clean Wake, a program where individuals can bring in old motors and receive a \$100 gift certificate towards purchases at the marina. Paris Marine in Peterborough will be participating on September 25 and October 2. For more information go to www.summerhillgroup.ca/eng/foundation/programs/clean-wake.php
- Terry Rees – 10th Annual Lakeland Conference to be Saturday October 2 at New Apsley Community Centre. Information at www.lakeland.greenup.on.ca/events.html

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on September 17, 2010 in the Rotary Hall, Grand Trunk Railway Station Stirling.

Future meetings were scheduled as follows:

- October 15
- November 16
- December 8