

***Evaluating policy options for
consideration in Source Protection
Plans***

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RATIONALE

- Identify strengths and weaknesses of policy options
- Used as the basis for selecting proposed policies for consideration in source protection plan
- To clearly identify why a policy was or was not selected for inclusion in the plan



GROUPS OF CRITERIA

Effectiveness

Adequacy
Timeliness
Improvement in water quality

Economic

Financial capacity
Net costs
Net benefits
Monitoring requirements

Appropriateness

Scale
Administrative capacity
Community acceptance

PROPOSED PROCESS

- Policy options presented to working groups
- Policy options would be evaluated by MWGs and presented to Source Protection Committee with suggested revisions to proposed policies (March 2011)
 - Source Protection Committee would review scores, revise scores, and revise policies for consideration at April 2011 MWG meetings.



CONSIDERATIONS

- Numerical score should be used with caution, as these can be subjective.
- Scoring will be particularly useful when comparing similar policies.
- Different policy options, for example comparing prescribed instruments with education/outreach, would not be feasible.
- The use of documented rationale for choosing certain policy options over others would assist in the completion of the *Explanatory Document*.

FEEDBACK

- Are the selected criteria appropriate for the TCC SPC?
- Is the proposed process suitable?

