

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE CHAIR'S QUARTERLY REPORT

September 1, 2011

Submitted to: Crowe Valley Source Protection Authority
Ganaraska Region Source Protection Authority
Kawartha-Haliburton Source Protection Authority
Lower Trent Source Protection Authority (Lead)
Otonabee-Peterborough Source Protection Authority

Submitted by: Jim Hunt, Chair, Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee

1. Assessment Report Status

Following a 30-day public consultation period, the Amended Proposed Assessment Reports prepared by the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee (TCC SPC) were submitted to the Ministry of the Environment on June 28, 2011.

2. Municipal Forum / Workshop

On June 8th, the TCC SPC held a successful Municipal Forum with representation from several of the municipalities. Presentations provided participants with an overview of municipal responsibilities under the *Act*, an introduction to the Risk Management Official/Inspector training program being developed by the Province, and familiarity with the content of a source protection plan policy. The workshop also included a discussion session with Ministry of the Environment staff and break out groups to solicit feedback from participants on how best to proceed with consultation on the *draft* policies.

3. Source Protection Plan Development

The majority of the policies that will be contained in the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Region (TCC SPR) source protection plans have now been written in *draft* format. Development of these policies has involved working with the five Municipal Working Groups to improve the content and desired outcome of the policy. In addition, feedback from the Municipal Working Groups has allowed the Committee to gauge municipal response to some of the approaches being proposed in the policy to manage the significant threat. The next phase of the planning process involves discussing our proposed *draft* policies with the organizations that will be responsible for implementation.

4. Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program

During this quarter the TCC Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Review Committee met to discuss the first group of applications which have been received for funding through the Early Response program. The Early Response program only funds stewardship projects which address significant drinking water threats. Thirteen projects were funded this quarter. The accumulated cost of all thirteen of these projects is \$48,760.00. Funding provided through the stewardship program will contribute \$33,236.00 of the \$48,760.00.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Hunt", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jim Hunt, Chair