

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #29

MEETING: SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2010

TIME: 9:30 A.M.

LOCATION: ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #383, TARA, ONTARIO

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Traynor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

In Attendance:	Chair, Mike Traynor David Biesenthal, Lou D'Alessandro, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Kathie Hughes, Brent Lanktree, Les MacKinnon, Les Nichols, Carolyn Parker, Dale Thompson, Bill Twaddle, Mitch Twolan
Others Present:	Teresa McLellan, Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Robert Reid, Ex-officio member, Grey-Bruce Health Unit Don Smith, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP) Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP
Also in Attendance:	David Ellingwood, Program Supervisor, DWSP Thorsten Arnold, Technical Supervisor, DWSP Brian Luinstra, Hydrogeologist, DWSP Sara Pickard, Water Quality Technician, DWSP Steacy den Haan, Communications Specialist, DWSP Elly Ward, Outreach Specialist, DWSP Emily Vandermeulen, GIS/Database Specialist, DWSP Matthew Hurley, Water Quality Technician Assistant, DWSP
Regrets:	Ken Furlong Mark Kraemer

The Chair introduced and welcomed Mr. Ron Oswald, Mayor of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie.

Mayor Oswald extended his greetings to the Source Protection Committee (SPC) from his Municipality, which includes the communities of Tara, Paisley and Chesley as well as the former Arran and Elderslie Townships. He expressed his appreciation for the work being done by the Committee and wished the Committee good luck in its endeavours.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No.	Moved by Lou D'Alessandro
SPC-10-113	Seconded by Robert Emerson

THAT the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Committee members were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at this time.

3. <u>Adoption of Minutes</u>

Committee member, Mitch Twolan, advised that the second-last line of the paragraph under "Other Business" should read: "the Army Corps of Engineers and Canadian ambassador" and the minutes were amended accordingly.

Motion No.	Moved by Les Nichols
SPC-10-114	Seconded by Carolyn Parker

THAT the Minutes of the June 25, 2010 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried

The Communications Specialist presented a Community Profile of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie showing the various wells in the municipality and the various levels of threats associated with the wells located in Tara and Chesley.

4. <u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u>

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Technical Review Committee

The Project Manager reviewed Report 4a and advised that the Chair of the Technical Review Committee was inadvertently excluded from a motion passed at the June 25, 2010 meeting of the Source Protection Committee, which nominated SPC members to this sub-committee. The Project Manager recommended that the SPC rescind the previous motion and pass a new motion which includes the previous Chair of the Technical Review Committee and an SPC municipal representative.

Motion No.	Moved by Carolyn Day
SPC-10-115	Seconded by Lou D'Alessandro

THAT the Source Protection Committee rescind Motion No. SPC-10-111;

AND FURTHER, THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region recommends to the lead Source Protection Authority that the Early Actions Technical Review Committee be expanded for the Early Response program to become the Early Response Technical Review Committee. The composition of the committee will include the following members:

- Chair (SPC Representative)
- SPC Municipal Representative
- Lead Conservation Authority (SVCA) Representative
- Septic System Sector Representative
- Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association Representative
- Chemical Sector Representative
- Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Representative

AND FURTHER THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region recommends to the Lead Source Protection Authority that the Early Response Technical Review Committee Chair be Brent Lanktree and the SPC municipal representative be Bill Twaddle.

Carried

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Early Response Threats Priority

The Outreach Specialist reviewed Report 4b and advised that the Technical Review Committee revisited the list of threats to drinking water and made a recommendation to the SPC on establishing a prioritized list for the express purposes of applying for Early Response funding from the Ministry of the Environment. Five of the 21 listed threats were not identified in the Proposed Assessment Report and, therefore, will not be eligible for funding under the Early Response program. The Program Supervisor reviewed the statistical information in a powerpoint presentation and advised that both significant threats and transport pathways can be eligible. Threats were ranked by the number of occurrences in the Region and their risk score.

Bill Twaddle arrived at 10:00 a.m.

The Technical Review Committee endeavoured to capture the top group of threats from the Proposed Assessment Reports and attempted to include all scenarios. Funding would be available to residential, commercial, farm and municipalities acting as a lead applicant. The Technical Review Committee will strive to distribute the funding to include the most significant threats. Funding may be up to 80% of the cost of a project.

Motion No.	Moved by Carolyn Day
SPC-10-115	Seconded by Bruce Davidson

THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region sets the following prioritized list of drinking water threats in the following order to be listed on the Early Response funding application that will be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment by September 30, 2010:

- 1. The handling and storage of a dense non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL);
- 2. The establishment, operation or maintenance of a system that collects, stores, transmits, treats, or disposes of sewage;
- 3. The handling and storage of fuel;
- 4. The establishment, operation or maintenance of a waste disposal site within the meaning of Part V of the Environmental Protection Act;
- 5. The application of agricultural source material to land;
- 6. Transport pathways; and,
- 7. All other significant drinking water threats identified within the Proposed Assessment Reports.

AND FURTHER, THAT the list of threats is provided for the express purpose of the lead Source Protection Authority's application for a grant under the province's Early Response Program.

Carried

5. <u>Correspondence</u>

Letter from the Bruce Peninsula Environment Group dated July 12, 2010 respecting an event featuring Maude Barlow was **noted and filed.**

Letter from The Municipality of Kincardine dated July 12, 2010 respecting the revised WHPA around the Armow well was **noted and filed.**

Letter from Grey Bruce Health Unit dated July 21, 2010 respecting the SPC Health Unit liaison was **noted and filed.**

6. <u>Reports</u>

Administration Report

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6a and advised that the Proposed Assessment Report has been posted for the 30-day consultation period which ends on August 9, 2010.

An advisory committee consisting of SPC Chairs and Project Managers has been assembled to set up a mechanism for sharing policy information in a web-based format, which should be completed by September, 2010. This initiative was established through Conservation Ontario and, once available, the information can be accessed by SPC members.

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program

The Outreach Specialist reviewed Report 6b and advised that 112 applications for funding have been received in total. Ten applications were reviewed by the Technical Review Committee at its July 14, 2010 meeting and nine were approved.

Communications

The Communications Specialist reviewed Report 6c and advised that plans for the Best Management Practices Farm Tour on August 25, 2010 are coming together. Several experts, including hydrogeologist, Brian Luinstra, and OMAFRA representatives will be included in the tour. Transportation will be departing from Formosa and touring around the Brockton area.

The Committee took a break from 10:30 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

The Project Manager acknowledged the 60th anniversary celebrations of Saugeen Valley Conservation, which is open to the public on July 24, 2010. The Authority plans to move into its new location in late Fall 2010.

Proposed Assessment Report Update

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6d and advised that the Draft Proposed Assessment Report has been amended to include comments received in the original consultation process and is now the Proposed Assessment Report (PAR). Notice of the PAR was posted on July 8, 2010 on the waterprotection.ca website and in 15 local newspapers. Copies were available for viewing at the three Source Protection Authorities and compact discs containing the PAR were sent to upper- and lower-tier municipalities, two First Nation communities and three adjoining Source Protection Regions. The PAR is then presented to the three Source Protection Authorities (SPA), who are now in a position to review and comment on the PAR. The Proposed Assessment Report was presented to the Northern Bruce Peninsula SPA on July 12, 2010 and the Saugeen Valley SPA on July 22, 2010, and will be presented to the Grey Sauble SPA on July 28, 2010.

7. <u>New Business</u>

Risk Management Measures Catalogue

The GIS/Database Specialist gave a powerpoint presentation outlining the online tool that will assist the Committee in the policy-setting process.

Source Protection Plan Regulations

The MOE liaison gave a powerpoint presentation outlining the amendments to Ontario Regulation 287/07 to the *Clean Water Act, 2006*.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

The presentation continued with discussions amongst the group on various items.

Policy Development Workshop

The Project Manager advised that a facilitated session is being arranged to develop consensusbuilding and methods and procedures to work toward policy development. It was agreed that this workshop will take place at the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration Offices on Thursday, September 30, 2010 from 9:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. As well, provincial guidance will be available in the Fall and MOE training will be arranged in the future.

8. Other Business

Les MacKinnon advised the Committee of the Water Forum being held at the Grand River Conservation Authority office on Friday, September 17, 2010.

Lou D'Alessandro advised the Committee that the Walkerton Clean Water Centre has a new CEO, Larry Moore, who has invited the Committee to hold a meeting at their new facilities.

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, September 24, 2010 at the Teeswater-Culross Community Centre in Teeswater, Ontario.

There being no further business, Les Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 2:10 p.m.

Mike Traynor Chair Nancy Guest Recording Secretary