

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #85

MEETING: SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021

TIME: 1:15 P.M.

LOCATION: WEBEX VIDEO MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 1:18 p.m.

In Attendance: Chair, Bill Twaddle
Stan Eby, Robert Emerson, John Fruin, Dick Hibma, Dennis Kefalas,
Angela Newman, Les Nichols, Dan Orr, Tara Saab, Gord Timmerman,

Others Present: Olga Yudina, Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and
Parks (MECP)
Carl Seider, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP)
Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

Also in Attendance: Jo-Anne Harbinson, Manager, Water Resources & Stewardship Services,
Saugeen Conservation
Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP
Kyle Davis, RMO, Wellington County

Regrets: Mitch Twolan, Jim Uram

The Chair introduced and welcomed Jo-Anne Harbinson, Manager of Water Resources and Stewardship Services at Saugeen Conservation who attended in place of the General Manager & Secretary-Treasurer, Jennifer Stephenson. Also attending on behalf of the Wellington County Risk Management Office, was Kyle Davis.

The Chair congratulated one of our Agricultural Representatives, Stan Eby, who recently was inducted into the Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame.

1. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion No.
SPC-21-312

Moved by Les Nichols
Seconded by John Fruin

THAT the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

Carried

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest**

Source Protection Committee (SPC) 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. **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion No.
SPC-21-313

Moved by Dick Hibma
Seconded by John Fruin

THAT the Minutes of the November 27, 2020 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

5. **Correspondence**

- Notice of Amendments to Source Protection Plan from Saugeen Valley Source Protection Authority dated January 25, 2021 was **noted and filed**.

6. **Reports**

Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Administration Report 6a and advised that a Notice of Amendments to the Source Protection Plan was issued January 25, 2021 in anticipation of the new well at Blair's Grove in Huron-Kinloss. A drinking water works permit was received and the well is currently in production.

The 2021/2022 Workplan, similar to past plans that have been submitted, was prepared to meet the MECP requirements. The main focus is the completion of s. 36 amendments along with all implementation requirements and plans to support municipalities and other implementing bodies.

The MECP is reviewing workplans from across the province and is currently unable to advise of a timeline for approval of Transfer Payment Agreements.

Respecting the Source Protection Plan amendments, the MECP requested a peer review for the East Linton intake desktop model calculations, which were not anticipated. Technical staff at the Nottawasaga Conservation Authority reviewed this technical work.

Staff received notification from the Municipality of Kincardine that an Environmental Assessment will be conducted in 2021 respecting a new municipal well at Scott Point. The relevant Source Protection Authority must issue a Notice before a permit can be applied for and an updated source protection plan approved before water can be supplied to the public.

Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Communications Report 6b and advised that the Covid-19 restrictions have posed some challenges respecting the s.36 consultation and conducting in-person meetings with municipal staff and public meetings. The consultation schedule was reviewed and final edits and submission to the Ministry are expected to be completed by Fall of 2021. Various social media venues are being employed to advise of consultation including posts on Twitter and Facebook.

The CAO of Grey Sauble Conservation was interviewed on the local Rogers TV program, Politically Speaking, and discussed, among other programs, the Source Water program and its effects and benefits. This program is shown at various times for a number of weeks after airing.

7. New Business

Source Protection Plan Extension Request Report 7a

The Project Manager reviewed Source Protection Plan Extension Request Report 7a and advised that the Centre Wellington Risk Management Office (RMO) has requested an extension respecting Risk Management Plans (RMPs) affecting properties in the municipalities of Wellington North and Minto, delayed due to Covid-19 restrictions. The RMO anticipated that most RMPs would be completed in 2022.

**Motion No.
SPC-21-314**

**Moved by Dennis Kefalas
Seconded by John Fruin**

THAT the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Committee endorses the request for extension of Source Protection Plan policies related to Risk Management Plans and directs Staff to submit this request to the Saugeen Valley Source Protection Authority for consideration prior to submission to the Ministry.

Carried

Source Protection Plan Draft Pre-Consultation Notice Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Source Protection Plan Draft Pre-Consultation Notice Report 7b and advised that all affected stakeholders, as well as some affected landowners, will be issued a Notice of Consultation respecting the Blair's Grove and East Linton Source Protection Plan (SPP) amendments and feedback respecting the SPP changes will be expected and considered. Staff is working closely with neighbouring RMOs and the Ministry to follow the technical rule requirements. Currently, the Program Director's draft technical rules are under review and SPP changes will be subject to the finalization of the technical rules.

Draft policies respecting Policy 15-05 – Risk Management for Fuel near Great Lakes Intakes, Policy 12-01: Salt Application Threat – Risk Management Plan, Policy 12-02: Salt Management Plan, Policy 12-03: Salt Management Plan – Ministry of Transportation Roads, Policy 12-04: Salt Application – Education & Outreach, Policy 13-01: The Handling and Storage of Road Salt (Risk Management Plan), and Policy 13-02: Salt Handling and Storage – Education & Outreach were reviewed and discussed.

**Motion No.
SPC-21-315**

**Moved by Dennis Kefalas
Seconded by Dick Hibma**

THAT the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Committee endorses the draft Pre-Consultation Notice for proposed Sec. 36 Source Protection Plan amendments and directs Staff to issue the Notice to affected parties, pending Ministry review and comments on Early Engagement materials.

Carried

2020 Annual Report 7c

The Project Manager reviewed 2020 Annual Report 7c and advised that the Annual Report for 2020 will be submitted to the Ministry by May 1, 2021. Drive-by inspections and contacting landowners to update the Risk Management Plans have been ongoing and no specific issues were found to exist. All twenty-one upper and lower-tier municipalities across the Region have completed or are in the process of completing their respective Official Plans or zoning by-law updates and all amendments respecting the Source Protection Plan should be in place by 2022. One hundred per cent of the Source Protection Plan policies are in place and being addressed by the responsible parties.

A discussion followed respecting Section II of the Source Protection Annual Progress Report, "A message from your local Source Protection Committee" on page 2. As a result, an addition to the Annual Report will be included to emphasize the importance of the program, as well as ongoing provincial funding needed to continue the program at full capacity.

**Motion No.
SPC-21-316**

**Moved by John Fruin
Seconded by Angela Newman**

THAT the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Committee receives a copy of the draft Source Protection Annual Progress Report; and further,

THAT the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Committee directs Staff to provide copies of the draft Source Protection Annual Progress Report along with any comments to the respective Grey Sauble, Saugeen Valley and Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Authorities, and to submit a final version to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks by May 1, 2021.

Carried

8. Other Business

The Project Manager discussed the comments recently received from the Ministry respecting draft Source Protection Plan amendments, as well as draft technical rule changes. The Ministry liaison, Olga Yudina, advised that comments on the provincial Environmental Bill of Rights website closed on November 19, 2020 after 360 comments were received. Comments are being reviewed and technical rules possibly refined, although she does not expect significant changes, and the SPC may proceed with consultation without delay.

Staff gave a training session on Source Water and planning implications to the planning staff of Saugeen Conservation reviewing maps and instructing Saugeen planners in the method of identifying applications that may need to be reviewed by Risk Management staff.


The Project Manager reviewed the correspondence received from the Nuclear Waste Management Organization respecting the deep geological repository being proposed north-west of Teeswater. The Project Manager advised that the proposed site is not in or near a vulnerable source protection area and will keep the Committee apprised of the progress.

There was no other business.


9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, July 23, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. Location to be determined.

There being no further business, Dennis Kefalas made a motion to adjourn at 2:50 p.m.



Bill Twaddle
Chair



Nancy Guest
Recording Secretary