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CTC SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

CTC Source Protection Committee Meeting #05/09 June 22, 2009, Black Creek Pioneer Village

Source Protection Planning Discussion Paper

A report was brought to the committee to begin considerations of a Source Protection Planning Discussion Paper which the province is expected to post on the Environmental Bill of Rights Registry (EBR) in June, 2009. Through this report the committee directed staff to take the steps required to develop a 'Dry Run' exercise which will allow the entire SPC to develop practice Source Protection Plans for hypothetical scenarios. The SPC also directed staff to share the Source Protection Planning Discussion Paper as soon as it is released and to reconvene SPC members by teleconference to prepare comments this draft document. Following the comment period and revisions to this discussion paper the MOE will release the Source Protection Planning Regulations on the EBR for comment.

Source Protection Planning Interim Guidance Document

David Burnett, Manager, Provincial and Regional Policy, TRCA brought a report to the SPC outlining a Conservation Ontario recommendation that a working group of Conservation Authority planning staff, provincial staff and others be established to expand on the "Interim Guidance for Conservation Authorities on Integrating Drinking Water Source Protection under the Planning Act". The SPC approved this recommendation and directed staff to suggest that this working group be composed of the same 1/3 breakdown that makes up the source protection committees.

Progress Report from the Water Budget Ad Hoc Working Group

A report for the information of the SPC was brought forward by the Water Budget Ad Hoc Working Group which provided an update on the progress of the mapping of Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRA). On Wednesday, May 20, 2009 members of the Ad Hoc Working Group met to review mapping options for SGRA recommendations from CLOSPA. At the conclusion of this meeting the Ad Hoc Working Group felt that they required an opportunity to review mapping options for the TRSPA before recommending a mapping option for CLOSPA. The Ad Hoc Working Group will meet following the completion of the TRSPA Tier1/2 Water Budget which is currently in peer review and will report back to the SPC with recommendations at SPC Meeting #6/09, September 14, 2009 or at the earliest possible opportunity.

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Presentations

At this meeting the Source Protection Committee received three presentations. These presentations included:

Kathleen Padulo, Chiefs of Ontario

The committee received a presentation from Kathleen Padulo, Consultant, Chiefs of Ontario. Chiefs of Ontario is a coordinating body for 133 First Nation communities located within the boundaries of the Province of Ontario. Ms Padulo's presentation provided the SPC with information regarding the First Nations Water Declaration and insight into First Nations perspectives regarding their relationship to the water. While the CTC contains no reserve lands within its boundaries, members are interested in general drinking water protection programs and insights that can be gained from First Nations communities.

Bruce Davidson, Walkerton Concerned Citizens

Mr. Davidson is a citizen of Walkerton and co-chairman of Walkerton Concerned Citizens group. Supported by the Ministry of the Environment Mr. Davidson is visiting Source Protection Committees and local groups across the province to provide personal insight and experience of the events that occurred in Walkerton. The SPC received Mr. Davidson's presentation which highlighted the personal, financial and social costs that the Walkerton Tragedy brought to the town.

Jack Tupling, Town of Orangeville

As Director of Public Works for the Town of Orangeville Mr. Tupling is responsible for the operation of the Orangeville water system as well as the 2 Mono water systems. One of the tasks required of him in this role is to establish new municipal drinking water sources to support the community and its planned growth. For the committee's information Mr. Tupling presented an overview of the steps involved in procuring a new municipal water supply system and encouraged the committee to develop Source Protection Plans which carefully consider the implications placed on local water system operators.

Communications

A report was received outlining communications activities through the month of June and included information about proposed informal municipal and land owner consultations in the fall of 2009. Staff anticipates consulting locally with affected land owners as the technical work of the Assessment Reports reach completion.

Next Meeting: **Meeting #6/09**
Monday, September 14, 2009
Black Creek Pioneer Village
1000 Murray Ross Parkway