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CTC SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

CTC Source Protection Committee Meeting #2/10 February 22, 2010, Black Creek Pioneer Village

Source Protection Planning for Groundwater Systems Work Plan

On February 8, 2010 the CTC planning team hosted over 30 municipal planning and operational staff members for a workshop and update on Source Protection Planning in the CTC. At this workshop a work plan was approved which will establish a municipal steering committee to oversee the development of proposed model policies for the CTC Source Protection Committee to consider. To facilitate development of these proposed model policies the CTC Source Protection Committee has directed staff to establish a Groundwater Source Protection Planning Working Group (GWSPPWG) composed of six members equally representing municipal, economic and public interests. This GWSPPWG will appoint the municipal steering committee members and oversee the work undertaken to develop these model policies. A consultant will be hired to prepare background papers, conduct 7 or 8 workshops with stakeholders and prepare a report summarizing the full range of options including an analysis of the social, economic and environmental costs and benefits of each.

CLOSPA Assessment Report

The CTC Source Protection Committee received a presentation from Beverley Thorpe, CTC Project Manager the status and outline of the CLOSPA Assessment Report. SPC members will receive copies for review in early March and this report will be considered by the CTC SPC for approval at SPC Meeting #3/10 on March 30, 2010 SPC meeting. It is anticipated that the *Draft Assessment Report – Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Area* will be released for public comment in early April, 2010. Notices of the commencement of the public consultation and details of public meeting and how to comment will be posted on the CTC website, in local newspapers and sent to persons on our stakeholder consultation list. To receive a notice please join our mailing list at www.ctcswp.ca.

Ad Hoc Working Group Update on WHPA delineation and Vulnerability Assessment

On February 17, 2010 the Ad Hoc Working Group met to receive an update from staff on the progress of technical studies throughout the CVSPA and TRSPA. At this meeting technical staff informed the working group that due to delays in the receipt of technical studies the CVSPA and TRSPA Assessment Reports will not meet the initial submission date. CTC staff will be sending a request for extension of the CVSPA and TRSPA Assessment Reports once they have a better understanding of when this work will be completed.

The Ad Hoc Working Group will reconvene on March 24, 2010 and report back to the SPC on March 30, 2010 with recommendations for final acceptance of completed technical studies.

Ad Hoc Working Group Review of HVAs and SGRA Vulnerability

The CTC Source Protection Committee authorized the current technical Ad Hoc Working Group to expand its responsibility to review and provide recommendations to the SPC regarding acceptance of the mapping of Highly Vulnerable Aquifers (HVA) and vulnerability assessment within Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRAs). This group is directed to report back to the committee at SPC Meeting #3/10 on March 30, 2010 with recommendations in parallel with the SPC's decisions on approval of the CLOSPA Assessment Report.

****Meeting summaries are not an official record of SPC meetings. For the official record refer to the approved meeting minutes which will be found at www.ctcswp.ca after committee approval**

Source Protection Plan Regulation

On January 25, 2010 the province posted notice on the Environmental Bill of Rights registry (EBR Registry Number 010-8766) of public consultation for proposed amendments to O. Reg. 287/07 under the Clean Water Act, 2006. These amendments, if passed, direct source protection committees and authorities on what is required to complete source protection plans. The regulation is based the comments received on the Source Protection Planning Discussion Paper which was released for comment on June 25, 2009 under EBR Registry Number 010-6726. At SPC Meeting #2/10 the committee authorized Chair Susan Self to send comments on behalf of the CTC SPC by the comment deadline of March 26, 2010. These comments will be considered for approval at SPC Meeting #3/10 on March 30, 2010. SPC members have been requested to provide staff with their individual comments by March 12, 2010 for inclusion in CTC submission.

In addition, 7 CTC SPC members will attend a Ministry of the Environment hosted discussion session with other source protection committee members and stakeholders invited by MOE on March 1, 2010.

Stage 1 and 2 Consultation Update

The CTC Source Protection Committee received an update on Assessment Report consultation within the CLOSPA, TRSPA and CVSPA.

CLOSPA

- Public consultation of the *Draft* Assessment Report: CLOSPA is planned to begin April 5, 2010 with a deadline for public comments of May 14, 2010
- A regulatory public meeting regarding the *Draft* Assessment Report: CLOSPA and the work of the Lake Ontario Collaborative is planned for May 4, 2010 in Whitby

CVSPA:

- Due to delays in the receipt of technical studies mailing of notification letters to landowners within WHPAs will be postponed until after SPC Meeting #3/10 on March 30, 2010.
- Public consultation of the *Draft* Assessment Report: CVSPA is anticipated to occur in August - September 2010

TRSPA:

- Due to delays in the receipt of technical studies mailing of notification letters to landowners within WHPAs will be postponed until after SPC Meeting #3/10 on March 30, 2010.
- Public consultation of the *Draft* Assessment Report: TRSPA is anticipated to occur in June 2010

Communications Update

The CTC Source Protection Committee received an update on general communications activities being conducted throughout the CTC. Upcoming activities include:

- Feb. 26 – 28: Thirsty Minds: Youth Round Table on Ontario Drinking Water
- [Feb. 27: 11th Annual Stewardship Forum: A Ripple Effect](#)
- Mar. 20: World Water Day 2010
- [Mar. 23: Lake Ontario Evening: Bio-Diversity Focus](#)
- May 11: Lake Ontario Evening: Near Shore Research

Next Meeting: **Meeting #3/10 10 am to 3 pm**
Tuesday, March 30, 2010
Black Creek Pioneer Village
1000 Murray Ross Parkway