

CTC Source Protection Committee Meeting (#4/24)

Meeting Details

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Chair: Gary Mountain (Acting Chair)

Location: Hybrid meeting (Microsoft TEAMS and in-person)¹; Credit Valley Conservation Administration Office, Boardroom; 1255 Old Derry Road, Mississauga, ON

Approved Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

B. Doulatyari called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

Certification of Quorum - 14 Members Constitute a Quorum (2/3 of Members including proxies)

Members present:

In-person: Liza Ballantyne, Chesley Blahut, Tom Bradley, Alex Hilson, Rosemary Keenan, Peter Miasek, Gary Mountain, Tavis Nimmo

Virtual: Cody Brown, Ken Dion, Colin Evans, William Fernandes, Louise Foster, Chris Gerrits, Lee Gould, Mark Heaton, Jeff Light, Ryan Wheeler

Regrets: Chair Nathan Hyde, Geoff Maltby, Elvis Oliveira (proxy to William Fernandes)

Quorum was achieved.

Source Protection Authority Liaison: Quentin Hanchard (CVSPA-lead SPA)

MECP Representative: Nigel Holgate

The following CTC SPA staff were in attendance: Hailey Ashworth, Shanice Badior, Andrew Caky, Joshua Campbell, Dorothy DiBerto, Behnam Doulatyari, Don Ford, Parastoo Hosseini, Craig Jacques, Chris Jones, Daniela MacLeod, Jenna McMahon, Kerry Mulchansingh, Shane Nath, Laurie Nelson, Elizabeth Paudel, Heather Rodriquez, Gustavo Silva, Rod Wilmot

¹ CTC Source Protection Committee meetings are video recorded for the purpose of minute taking.

Others in attendance: Lubna Badri, Jon Clark, Shari Dahmer, Therese Estephan, Tanjot Grewal, Colin Hall, Erin Harkins, Irena Kontrec, Angelika Masotti, Ian Ockenden, Hayley Pankhurst, Leslie Rich, Christina Wieder, Minoo Yazdanpanah

1.1. Election of Acting Chair

B. Doulatyari called for nominations for an Acting Chair for the meeting. P. Miasek nominated G. Mountain as Acting Chair; no other Members were nominated.

Moved by: L. Foster
Seconded by: L. Gould

RESOLUTION #28/24

THAT the nominations for an Acting Chair of the CTC Source Protection Committee for the October 23, 2024 meeting be closed.

CARRIED

G. Mountain was acclaimed as Acting Chair for the meeting and assumed the Chair.

2. Review of Agenda

Moved by: A. Hilson
Seconded by: K. Dion

RESOLUTION #29/24

THAT the agenda for October 23, 2024 be approved.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

There were no disclosures of conflicts of interest.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Moved by: R. Keenan
Seconded by: T. Nimmo

RESOLUTION #30/24

THAT the minutes of the May 30, 2024 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Member Introductions

The Chair announced that three new members have joined the committee and called on B. Doulatyari to provide introductions:

- Tavis Nimmo, municipal representative for the Region of Durham, Town of Ajax, Municipality of Clarington, City of Oshawa, City of Pickering, Township of Scugog, Township of Uxbridge, and Town of Whitby.
- Tom Bradley, municipal representative for the Region of York, Town of Aurora, Township of King, City of Markham, City of Richmond Hill, City of Vaughan, and the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.
- Chesley Blahut, citizen-at-large, to represent the interests of the general public.

6. Chair's Remarks

There were no remarks.

7. Updates

7.1. Update from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks Representative (Nigel Holgate)

N. Holgate provided updates regarding: 2022 Annual Progress reporting provincial placemat; status of Transfer of Payment agreements with Source Protection Authorities and Conservation Ontario; and release of revised guidance for Section 34 amendments to source protection plans.

B. Doulatyari noted that an updated timeline for the comprehensive CTC Source Protection Plan Section 36 update will be brought to the Committee in early 2025.

7.2. Update from Conservation Ontario Source Water Protection Manager (Leslie Rich)

Due to technical difficulties, the update will be shared with the Committee via email.

7.3. Source Protection Authority Liaison (Quentin Hanchard, CAO of Credit Valley Conservation)

There was no formal update from the Source Protection Authorities.

8. Committee Business

8.1. Reports to Committee

a. CTC Program Update

The Committee discussed the gap between the 2021 Technical Rules and current Source Protection Plan policies, status of the Town of Erin s.34 amendment, and progress in completing outstanding risk management plans to meet the December 31, 2025 deadline.

M. Heaton departed the meeting at 1:47 p.m.

Moved by: A. Hilson

Seconded by: P. Miasek

RESOLUTION #31/24

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee receive the staff report CTC Program Update for information.

CARRIED

b. Proposed CTC Source Protection Plan Salt and Snow Policies

The Committee considered the proposed updated snow and salt policies.

Regarding SNO-1, staff clarified that the process for when emergency storage of snow is permitted will be at the discretion of the municipality.

In response to a suggestion from C. Gerrits, staff will update the Explanatory Document to clarify policy SAL-7 will include language “as determined by the Risk Management Official” for when it is a potential threat.

B. Doulatyari explained how the water quality trends analysis information will be used to support the program. It was noted that the challenges of dealing with increasing salt levels likely requires changes beyond what is possible through the *Clean Water Act* alone.

Moved by: P. Miasek

Seconded by: L. Foster

RESOLUTION #32/24

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee receive the staff report Proposed CTC Source Protection Plan Salt and Snow Policies for information.

AND FURTHER THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee endorse the proposed Salt and Snow Policies consistent with the direction outlined in this report.

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to incorporate the new policy text as part of a forthcoming amendment to the CTC Source Protection Plan, under Section 36 of the *Clean Water Act, 2006*.

CARRIED

c. Review of the Existing Local Liquid Hydrocarbon Pipeline Policies and Consideration of Transportation of Dangerous Goods

R. Wheeler expressed concern with the proposed wording of the PIPE-G-3 policy relating to “emergency planning zones” and “designated geographic areas” as industry organizations would not associate these terms with source water protection. The Committee concurred with R. Wheeler’s recommendation to revise the wording to instead refer to “geographic response plans”. N. Holgate noted that proposed pipeline policies will be compared with policies proposed by other Source Protection Committees to help standardize the language.

RESOLUTION #33/24

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee receive the staff report Review of the Existing Local Liquid Hydrocarbon Pipeline Policies and Consideration of Transportation of Dangerous Goods for information.

AND FURTHER THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee endorse amendments to relevant policies consistent with the direction provided by the Committee at Meeting #4/24.

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to incorporate the new policy text as part of a forthcoming amendment to the CTC Source Protection Plan, under Section 36 of the *Clean Water Act*.

CARRIED

d. Committee Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct Update

B. Doulatyari provided an overview of the proposed updates.

Moved by: A. Hilson

Seconded by: L. Ballantyne

RESOLUTION #34/24

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee receive the staff report Committee Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct Update for information.

AND FURTHER THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee endorse the updated Committee Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct consistent with the direction outlined in this report.

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed provide the updated documents to the Credit Valley Source Protection Authority for approval.

CARRIED

8.2. Other Business

D. Ford, TRCA hydrogeologist, noted a recent proposal for privately serviced communal water and wastewater facilities within a WHPA-Q, where Source Protection Plan demand (DEM) and

recharge (REC) policies may apply. Staff will bring a staff report regarding applicability of Source Protection Plan policies for this proposal to a future Committee meeting.

C. Gerrits raised concerns about Chair's attendance at Committee meetings. Staff will follow up with the management committee and C. Gerrits' on the raised concerns prior to the next meeting.

9. Correspondence

Letter requesting the province address municipal concerns on the application for amendment to the Aggregate Resource Act Licence No. 3573 (ERO# 019-8143), and to review the existing regulatory framework and address gaps in the governance of excess soil in wellhead protection areas. June 28, 2024. To Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry from N. Hyde, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee.

9.1. Electronic correspondence from Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) responding to CTC concerns about importation of excess soil within a wellhead protection area and request for a review of the regulatory framework governing the importation of excess soil in a wellhead protection area. August 7, 2024. To N. Hyde, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee from K. Gilkinson, Aggregates Supervisor, MNR.

9.2. Letter responding to CTC concerns about importation of excess soil within a wellhead protection area and request for a review of the regulatory framework governing the importation of excess soil in a wellhead protection area. September 27, 2024. To N. Hyde, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee from R. Kurtes, Director, Environmental Policy Branch, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.

- 9.3. Letter supporting the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Committee's request that the province not proceed with phasing out free private well testing in Ontario. July 3, 2024. To Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs and Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness from N. Hyde, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee.**
- 9.4. 2022 Provincial Annual Progress Report Results Summary and 2017-2022 Progress Summary Placement. September 25, 2024. To N. Hyde, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee and B. Doulatyari, Program Manager, CTC Source Protection Region from W. Lavender, Manager, Technical and Program Delivery Section, Conservation and Source Protection Branch, MECP.**
- 9.5. Letter providing Early Engagement Comments on CTC Section 34 Amendment for Erin Well E9. October 2, 2024. To B. Doulatyari, Program Manager, CTC Source Protection Region from N. Holgate, Program Analyst, Conservation and Source Protection Branch, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.**
- 9.6. Letter regarding Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks review of proposed Section 36 prescribed instrument policy updates to Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Plan. October 7, 2024. To Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks from J. Hunt, Chair, Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee.**

N. Holgate commented on the Committee's concerns relating to excess soil, noting that under the *Clean Water Act* Technical Rule 119, declaring a local threat is challenging if it is already covered under existing legislation.

Moved by: T. Nimmo

Seconded by: C. Brown

RESOLUTION #35/24

THAT the correspondence from October 23, 2024 be received.

CARRIED

10. Next Meeting

December 5, 2024 1-4 p.m. (Hybrid: TEAMS and CVC boardroom).

11. Adjourn

Moved by: A. Hilson

RESOLUTION #36/24

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee meeting of October 23, 2024 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 p.m.