



**Source Protection Committee Meeting #1/19**

**Chair: Douglas Wright**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2019**

**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**Black Creek Pioneer Village  
1000 Murray Ross Pkwy, North York, ON**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The CTC Source Protection Committee Chair, Douglas Wright called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. on March 20, 2019 at Black Creek Pioneer Village, North York.

**2. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

Members

Maria Topalovic	Chris Gerrits	Andrew Farr
Peter Miasek	Louise Foster	Frank Quarisa
Fred Ruf	Julie Abouchar	Geoff Maltby
Rosemary Keenan		

Regrets

Wendy Burgess (Proxy to J. Abouchar)  
Don Goodyear (Proxy to A. Farr)  
John Presta (Proxy to A. Farr)  
Mahesh Patel (Proxy to F. Quarisa)  
David Kentner (Proxy to P. Miasek)  
Heather Laidlaw (Proxy to G. Maltby)  
David Kentner (Proxy to Fred Ruf)  
Lee Gould  
Robert Goodings

**Quorum was achieved.**

The following staff were in attendance:

Staff

Daniel Brent	Alyssa Roth	Chris Jones
Don Ford	Chandra Sharma	Rod Wilmot
Laurie Nelson	Gayle SooChan	Annie Brough
Parastoo Hosseini	Jennifer Stephens	

Others

Daniel Banks (Halton)  
Emily Vandermeulen (Wellington)  
Therese Estephan (Peel)  
Scott Lister (York)  
Tavis Nimmo (Durham)  
Heather McGinnity (Orangeville)  
Irena Kontrec (Orangeville)  
Bill Snodgrass (Toronto)  
Ryan Post (Mono)

Beth Forrest (Liaison, MECP)  
Douglas Wright (Chair, CTC SPC)

**3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

**4. CHAIR'S REMARKS**

Chair Wright welcomed the Committee and provided an update from the January SPC Chairs meeting that included a commitment to funding being secured for another year, and that the Provincial government is looking for program efficiencies. The SPC Chairs had a call with the Minister that highlighted the importance of the Drinking Water Source Protection Program, as well as the need to discuss program gaps especially First Nations water issues and support for small communities. Chair Wright is also interested in continuing to talk about stakeholder engagement and how to move forward.

C. Sharma introduced L. Nelson as the new Director overseeing the Source Protection Program at Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

**5. REVIEW OF AGENDA**

No additions were made to the agenda as circulated.

**RES #1/19: THAT the Agenda be approved.**

**Moved By: M. Topalovic  
Seconded By: L. Foster**

**CARRIED**

**6. MINUTES**

No were no amendments to the Minutes from the previous meeting of the CTC SPC as circulated.

**RES #2/19: THAT the Minutes of Meeting #3/18 – September 19, 2018 be approved.**

**Moved By: F. Quarisa  
Seconded By: P. Miasek**

**CARRIED**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 **Letter from J. Williamson, Chair, Cataraqui Source Protection Committee**, Dated July 20, 2018 to Hon. R. Phillips, Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, regarding Drinking Water Source Protection Program.

7.2 **Letter from S. Stone, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer, Township of Amaranth**, Dated September 20, 2019  
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2018 to Hon. C. Ballard, Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, regarding licensing process to take water for commercial bottling facilities.

- 7.3 **Letter from J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region**, Dated October 29, 2018 to C. deGorter, Clerk, Township of Caledon, regarding amendments to CTC Source Protection Plan. [Customized letters were sent to each implementing body in the CTC Source Protection Region].
- 7.4 **Memo from A. DesLauriers, Program Analyst, Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated November 14, 2018 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding proposed amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.5 **Letter from W. Munro, Director – Planning Services, City of Oshawa**, Dated November 15, 2018 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding proposed amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.6 **Letter from M. Augimeri, Chair, Toronto and Region Source Protection Authority**, Dated November 30, 2018 to H. Malcolmson, Director, Source Protection Programs Branch, regarding submission of section 34 amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.7 **Letter from H. Malcolmson, Director, Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated December 5, 2018 to J. MacKenzie, D. Martin-Downs, C. Darling, CAOs, Toronto and Region, Credit Valley, and Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Authorities, regarding receipt of section 34 amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.8 **Memo from A. DesLauriers, Program Analyst, Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated December 14, 2018 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding section 36 workplan to update the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.9 **Letter from A. Fusco, Interim Town Clerk – Manager, Legislative Services, Town of Caledon**, Dated December 18, 2018 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding endorsement of amendments to CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.10 **E-mail from H. Malcolmson, Director, Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated December 31, 2018 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding receipt of section 36 workplan to update the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.11 **E-mail from J. Ban, Policy Advisor, Technical Standards and Safety Association**, Dated January 3, 2019 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding proposed amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.12 **E-mail from K. Peters, Senior Strategic Advisor, Niagara Escarpment Commission**, Dated January 7, 2019 to J. Stephens, Manager, CTC Source Protection Region, regarding proposed amendments to the CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.13 **Letter from D. Wright, Chair, CTC SPC**, Dated January 20, 2019 to K. Peterson, Provincial Planning Policy Branch, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, regarding Bill 66 [Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018 (Schedule 10), Proposed Open-For-Business Planning Tool, and New Regulation under the *Planning Act* for Open-For-Business Planning Tool.
- 7.14 **E-mail from S. Ecclestone, Director (A), Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated February 19, 2019 to Program Managers, Chairs, and General Managers, regarding new Director at Source Protection Programs Branch.
- 7.15 **Letter from S. Stone, CAO-Clerk-Treasurer, Township of Amaranth**, Dated February 21, 2019 to S. Greatrix, Clerk, Town of Orangeville, regarding Tier 3 study update.

- 7.16 **Letter from N. Iannicca, Regional Chair and CEO, Region of Peel**, Dated February 28, 2019 to D. Wright, Chair, CTC SPC, regarding endorsement of proposed amendments to CTC Source Protection Plan.
- 7.17 **Letter from D. Wright, Chair, CTC SPC, Dated March 11, 2019** to Hon. R. Phillips, Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, regarding streamlining approvals of amendments to source protection plans for new drinking water systems.
- 7.18 **E-mail from M. Halder, Research and Planning Analyst, Source Protection Programs Branch**, Dated March 13, 2019 to Drinking Water Source Protection Program Managers, regarding 2018 Annual Reporting.

#### DISCUSSION ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

- P. Miasek stated that he was pleased with the content of the letter from Chair Wright to Minister Phillips (Item 7.17).
- J. Stephens confirmed that the South Georgian Bay – Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee submitted a similar letter to Minister Phillips.
- B. Forrest communicated to the Committee that the Province is continuing to look at approaches to make the approval of amendments more efficient.

**RES #3/19: That correspondence 7.1 through 7.18 be received.**

**Moved By: F. Ruf  
Seconded By: P. Miasek**

**CARRIED**

#### 8. ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE ACTION

##### 8.1 Implementation of CTC Source Protection Plan in 2019

- J. Stephens provided an overview of the Annual Reporting materials sent to the Committee, and highlighted the goal of today's meeting: determining whether implementation progress in 2018 had been progressing well/on target, satisfactory, or limited progress.

##### Policy FUEL-3

- J. Stephens confirmed that the Province has reported that all policies directed at ministries have been implemented. However, not all elements of specific policies in the CTC SPP have been completed. The approach used by the Province has been that if the policy is non-legally binding or to address low / moderate threats, it may have been "reviewed" and considered implemented.
- L. Foster mentioned to the Committee that discussions have been taking place for a number of years with the TSSA and suggested that staff work with the Source Protection Programs Branch for implementation assistance.
- G. Maltby told the Committee that if a private fuel outlet is on an agricultural property, it may be difficult to know where the activity is located.
- B. Forrest confirmed that the Source Protection Programs Branch continues to liaise with staff at TSSA.
- **ACTION:** J. Stephens will follow up with municipal contacts to determine whether any of their existing significant fuel threats could be private fuel outlets.

#### Policy DEM-6

- Amaranth, East Garafraxa, Orangeville, and Mono still in the process of creating an Agreement for a Joint Municipal Water Supply Model. Although the timeline to implement this policy was 3 years, the municipalities are actively working on its implementation through continued discussion.
- The Councils with the Towns of Orangeville and Mono have endorsed the B. M. Ross report which outlines recommendations for the proposed Model, however, the Councils with the Townships of East Garafraxa and Amaranth have endorsed the report with conditions.
- The Committee encouraged the staff support to the municipalities to complete this Agreement.

#### Road Salt Policies

- The Committee reinforced its concerns about increasing chloride concentrations in source waters.
- L. Foster asked if there was anything the CTC SPC and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks do to address this problem.
- J. Stephens confirmed that the effects of road salt application has been made a priority in the *Made in Ontario Environmental Plan*.
- The Committee reiterated its desire to create a sub-group of members that can work together to determine how best to exert their influence and address gaps in the measures being taken to decrease road salt loading to source waters.

All municipalities responsible for the implementation of Part IV policies in the CTC Source Protection Plan provided a summary of their activities in 2018 and addressed questions from Committee members.

#### Lake Ontario Collaborative Group (Policy LO-G-2)

- B. Snodgrass presented on the progress of the Lake Ontario Collaborative Group.
- The timeline for year-round monitoring is 2022 for the R.C. Harris WTP and 2021 for the R.L. Clark WTP. The installation of these monitoring buoys will be further from the shore and will require a subsurface support to cope with ice cover.
- The original Lake Ontario Collaborative extended from Prince Edward County to Niagara Region. Policy LO-G-3 in the CTC Source Protection Plan requires that the municipalities of Peel, Toronto and Durham fund the activities outlined in Policy LO-G-2. It is expected that once this arrangement is in place, other municipalities will be invited to participate.
- Other source protection regions are considering the revision of technical work along Lake Ontario and / or the addition of new policies.

#### Imperial Oil Emergency Management Exercise

- P. Miasek, T. Estephan, and B. Snodgrass took part in an Imperial Oil Emergency Management Exercise. They shared their feedback on the exercise.
- Imperial Oil does a simulation exercise annually, but this was the first time that a scenario was run where a spill in the City of Toronto resulted in the contaminant making its way to Lake Ontario.

### **2018 IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS - DISCUSSION**

- J. Stephens confirmed that reporting from municipalities and the Province indicates that the for legally binding policies, implementation is progressing well and is very much 'on target'.
- Committee members agreed that implementation of the CTC Source Protection Plan was progressing well based on the presentations from municipal staff.
- Members were concerned that the Province has reported that most of the non-legally binding policies (directed at the MECP) have been implemented even though components of the policies have not been implemented.
- The Committee felt that the Annual Reporting submission to the Province should emphasize the breadth and depth of work that is taking place in the CTC Source Protection Region and

the success of the program. Further, it is important that the Province realize that this is an iterative process that will require consistent efforts by all stakeholders to protect our sources of drinking water.

- In addition, the Committee requested that the submission to the Province drawn reference to the need to implement all components of the Lake Ontario policies. Although these policies are non-legally binding, but they are still important and considerable effort went into creating them.

**RES #4/19: IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT a summary of implementation activities in 2018 obtained through Annual Reports submitted by February 1, 2019 be received by the CTC SPC for input on progress achieved in accomplishing source protection plan objectives;**

**AND FURTHER THAT CTC SPR staff be directed to take the necessary action to communicate the Committee's assessment of implementation progress as well as any feedback from the CTC SPC to the Credit Valley, Toronto & Region, and Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Authorities at meetings scheduled for April 12<sup>th</sup>, April 16<sup>th</sup>, and April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

**Moved By: M. Topalovic  
Seconded By: G. Maltby**

**CARRIED**

**8.2 Town of Orangeville - Policy Implementation Update - SWG-19**

- The Committee provided feedback that it would prefer to receive this report for information, as opposed to making a decision as to whether to designate the Orangeville Water Pollution Control Plant as a Local Threat.
- The Committee felt that the Town of Orangeville should be making this decision locally based on the results of their monitoring research.
- Therefore, the CTC SPC will not make a formal request to the Director, Source Protection Programs Branch pursuant to section 119 of the Technical Rules to add the WPCP outfall as a Local Threat, unless requested by the Town of Orangeville.

**RES #5/19: THAT the CTC SPC receives the report and advice of the Town of Orangeville and CVSPA.**

**Moved By: A. Farr  
Seconded By: G. Maltby**

**CARRIED**

**9. ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

**9.1 CTC SPR – Drinking Water Source Protection Program Update**

- C. Jones presented an overview of recently introduced legislation that will impact or is expected to impact the Drinking Water Source Protection program.
- J. Stephens provided a Program Update which included the discussion of the following activities:
  - A section 34 amendment to incorporate *Clean Water Act, 2006* technical work for a new well at the Caledon Village – Alton Drinking Water System is expected in June through August;
  - A description of education and outreach resources that have been created by CTC SPR staff and Conservation Ontario; and

- The process for appointing new members to the CTC SPC. For members who wish to stay on the Committee, they will be required to reapply for a position. A call for applications will be advertised next Friday.

**RES #6/19: THAT the CTC SPC receive the report on the CTC Source Protection Region Drinking Water Source Protection Program Updates for information.**

**Moved By: P. Miasek  
Seconded By: J. Abouchar**

**CARRIED**

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

Certificates of appreciation were presented to members who had completed their term of appointment.

**13. NEXT MEETING**

The next CTC SPC meeting will be on June 5, 2019 (delayed to June 24, 2019) at Black Creek Pioneer Village.

**14. ADJOURN**

ON MOTION, the meeting terminated at 3:08 p.m. on Wednesday March 20, 2018.

**RES #7/19: THAT Meeting #1/19 be adjourned**

**Moved by: R. Keenan  
Seconded by: G. Maltby**

**CARRIED**