



CTC Source Protection Committee Meeting #2/22

Chair: Douglas Wright

Tuesday March 22, 2022

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Zoom Virtual Meeting¹

DRAFT MEETING NOTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Chair called to the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Certification of Quorum - 15 Members Constitute a Quorum (2/3 of Members plus Chair)

Members present: Chair Douglas Wright, Julie Abouchar, Liza Ballantyne, Dan Bunner, Ken Dion, Behnam Doulatyari, Chris Gerrits, Rosemary Keenan, Dave Kentner, Scott Lister, Geoff Maltby, Peter Miasek, Gary Mountain, Elvis Oliveira, John Presta

Regrets: Louise Foster (proxy to John Presta), Lee Gould, Jeff Light (proxy to Behnam Doulatyari), Frank Quarisa (proxy to Liza Ballantyne)

Quorum was achieved.

MECP Liaison: Beth Forrest

Source Protection Authority Liaison: Quentin Hanchard (CVSPA-lead SPA), John MacKenzie (TRSPA)

The following CTC SPA staff were in attendance: Kristina Anderson, Hailey Ashworth, Josh Campbell, Don Ford, Janet Ivey, Craig Jacques (Recording S, Chris Jones, Annie Li, Laurie Nelson, Daniel Pina, John Sinnige, Jeff Thompson, Rod Wilmot

Others in attendance: Daniel Banks, Jon Clark, Kyle Davis, Therese Estephan, Chitra Gowda, Stefan Herceg, Erin Ihnat, Muriel Kim-Brisson, Tavis Nimmo, Tiffany Svensson

2. Review of Agenda

Moved by: C. Gerrits

Seconded by: P. Miasek

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Resolution #11/22:

THAT the agenda of March 22, 2022 be approved as distributed.

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: L. Ballantyne

Resolution #12/22:

THAT the minutes of the February 15, 2022 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Chair's Remarks

The Chair provided a synopsis of the meeting agenda, with the focus on the annual assessment of Source Protection Plan implementation.

E. Oliveira joined the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

6. Updates

6.1 Update from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Liaison Officer – Beth Forrest

MECP has posted a Best Practices Guide for Source Protection document and survey on the web aimed at drinking water systems not covered by the *Clean Water Act, 2006*.

The Section 34 amendment to the CTC Source Protection Plan for the Aurora drinking water system was approved by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

6.2 Update from Conservation Ontario – Craig Jacques

Conservation Ontario has created a repository of drinking water source water protection videos

6.3 Update from Conservation Authority Liaison – Quentin Hanchard, CAO of Credit Valley Conservation

MECP hosted a road salt use workshop on March 15th, focused on improving best practices, that was attended by several SPC members. A background document from the workshop was included within the agenda package.

Elevated salt levels are a concern across the CTC Source Protection Region. A

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best practices management guide on application of winter maintenance chemicals, focused on roads, parking lots and sidewalks is in development by the province.

7. Presentations

7.2 Risk Management Plan Negotiation: Toolbox Talks ... Incentives. Therese Estephan, Advisor, Source Water Protection, Peel Region.

T. Estephan provided a summary of the Risk Management Plan (RMP) process within Peel Region. Maintaining a positive relationship with property owners was noted as key to long-term success in RMP implementation. Peel is considering a new incentive program to support RMP negotiation and compliance. Peel has two RMP's currently in place, with three in negotiation, with further investigations required to confirm further RMP needs.

7.1 Update on Source Protection Implementation in Halton Region. Dan Banks, Acting Manager of Water & Wastewater Planning, Halton Region.

D. Banks provided an update on source protection implementation in Halton Region. Within CTC, Halton has managed about 3000 significant threats through policy implementation and verified about 3800 significant threats as not occurring. To date, Halton has about sixty-five RMP's in place within CTC, with about 150 further RMP's required to address about 200 remaining significant threats.

Members noted hesitancy in the agricultural community to RMP's due to compliance costs and different requirements from the *Nutrient Management Act*.

J. Ivey noted that the CTC will consider how current CTC source protection plan policies align with other regulatory requirements as part of the comprehensive s.36 review.

Moved by: K. Dion

Seconded by: B. Doulatyari

Resolution #13/22:

THAT the presentations be received.

CARRIED

7.3 Implementation of CTC Source Protection Plan in 2021 – Annual Progress Report. Jan Ivey, CTC Program Manager, Credit Valley Conservation.

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8. **Committee Business**

8.1 Reports to Committee

a. Implementation of CTC Source Protection Plan (2021) – Annual Progress Report

J. Ivey provided an update on the annual progress report for CTC Source Protection Plan implementation. The Committee assesses progress based on implementation efforts since the Source Protection Plan came into effect, rather than just for the past year.

Committee discussion focused around improving the tracking and reporting metrics of septic system inspections, and the progress and challenges in establishing required risk management plans (RMPs) by the 2023 deadline. The impacts of the pandemic were recognized, however the SPC expressed its desire to identify ways to advance the pace of RMP completion.

An update on water quality monitoring will be brought to a future SPC meeting.

Moved by: G. Maltby

Seconded by: D. Bunner

Resolution #14/22:

THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee receive the staff report Implementation of CTC Source Protection Plan (2021) – Annual Progress Report for information;

AND THAT in the opinion of the CTC Source Protection Committee, implementation of the Source Protection Plan has progressed well but is short of target in achieving the plan’s objectives;

AND THAT CTC staff be directed to submit the CTC Source Protection Committee’s comments on implementation progress to the Credit Valley, Toronto and Region, and Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Authorities for inclusion in the annual progress report.

CARRIED

b. CTC Program Update (Jan)

J. Ivey noted the recent release of two MECP guidance bulletins covering: implementation of the revised 2021 Director’s Technical rules and considering climate change impacts on water quality. The approved Section 34 amendment for Aurora has been posted to the CTC website. CTC staff are currently working on a Section 51 (O. Reg 287/07) amendment to the Source Protection Plan and all three CTC Assessment Reports. These will include minor updates not needing provincial approval including: the removal of the decommissioned Inglewood well 2; 2017 Director’s Technical rule updates; and other changes to improve readability of these documents.

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Committee members expressed interest in the state of knowledge and impact of climate change on drinking water sources within the CTC. Members that attended the provincial road salt workshop noted that liability concerns are a major impediment to reducing road salt usage and impacts to water supplies.

The next SPC meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 27, 2022 and will cover municipal system updates in Peel Region, City of Toronto, and York Region, as well as a Source Protection Plan review to consider priority amendments to align with the 2021 Director's Technical Rules. An updated Terms of Reference for the Amendments Working Group will be discussed at a June 15, 2022 meeting of that group.

Moved by: K. Dion
Seconded by: J. Presta

Resolution #15/22:

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

CARRIED

8.2 Other Business

K. Dion noted an upcoming IJC session on Lake Ontario water levels, which could be of interest to municipalities with lake-based intakes.

9. **Correspondence**

9.1 Email advising of release of provincial guidance materials to support incorporating 2021 Director's Technical Rules into assessment reports and source protection plans. February 15, 2022. To DWSP Program Managers from Kirsten Corrigan, Director, Conservation and Source Protection Branch, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

9.2 Email advising of release of best practices for source water protection for communities and landowners not covered by the *Clean Water Act, 2006*. February 18, 2022. To DWSP Program Managers from Kirsten Corrigan, Director, Conservation and Source Protection Branch, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

9.3 Letter advising of Ministry approval of amendments to the Toronto and Region Assessment Report and CTC Source Protection Plan because of changes to the Aurora drinking water system. February 23, 2022. To Jennifer Innis, Chair, Toronto and Region Source Protection Authority, and Doug Wright, Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee. From David Piccini, Minister of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

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Moved by: J. Abouchar
Seconded by: R. Keenan

Resolution #16/22:
THAT the correspondence be received.
CARRIED

10. **Next Meeting**
July 27, 2022 1:00 p.m. (if required, meeting format TBD)

11. **Adjourn**

Moved by: K. Dion
Seconded by: B. Doulatyari

Resolution #17/22:
THAT the CTC Source Protection Committee meeting of March 22, 2022 be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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