

MINUTES

**HALTON-HAMILTON SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
MEETING #1-10
TANSLEY WOODS COMMUNITY CENTRE
MARCH 2, 2010: 2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.**

SPC Attendees:			
Peter Ashenhurst	Doug Cuthbert	Nick DiGirolamo	Susan Fielding
Turlough Finan	Melanie Horton to 3:55	Adam Kuehnbaum	Margaret McCarthy
Glenn Powell	Chris Shrive	Gavin Smuk	
Jacqueline Weston	Teri Yamada		
Regrets SPC/Other Regrets:			
Barry Lee	Paul Attack	Kathy Menyes	Dave Braden
Diane Bloomfield			
Other Attendees:			
Bob Edmondson, CH	Faye Innes, Ruth Victor & Associates	Roy Maxwell Communications Consultant	Jacek Strakowski Hydrogeologist, HHSPR
Ruth Victor, Principal Ruth Victor & Associates	Josh Wright, GIS/Data Specialist, HHSPR	Clare Mitchell, CO	Jean Williams
Chris Neville	Dirk Kassenaar, Earthfx	E.J. Wexler, Earthfx	Nicole Matthews, Health Liaison
John Westlake, MOE Liaison	Sudhakar Kurli, Halton Region		

ITEM	TOPIC/DISCUSSON	ACTION REQ'D
1.	Roll Call & Mileage	
2.	Disclosures of Conflict of Interest None	

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3.	<p>Review of Agenda</p> <p>Acceptance of Agenda as Distributed</p> <p>HHSPC 10-01 Moved by: Margaret McCarthy Seconded by: Glenn Powell</p> <p>THAT the agenda be accepted as distributed. Carried.</p>	
4.	<p>Approval of Source Protection Committee Minutes dated December 8, 2009</p> <p>HHSPC 10-02 Moved by: Margaret McCarthy Seconded by: Susan Fielding</p> <p>THAT the Source Protection Committee minutes of December 8, 2009 be accepted. Carried.</p>	
5.	<p>Delegations None</p>	
6.	<p>Review of Conflict of Interest Policy</p> <p>Josh Wright presented Diane Bloomfield's prepared slide on recommended process for conflict of interest declarations based on Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy.</p> <p>Moved by: Margaret McCarthy Seconded by: Chris Shrive</p> <p>THAT the proposed wording be adopted.</p> <p>After discussion, it was decided that the wording needed to be revised.</p> <p>Motion Withdrawn.</p>	<p>(Proposed handout was not distributed - Diane)</p> <p>Doug Cuthbert will discuss the wording with Diane Bloomfield and bring a proposal forward to a future meeting.</p>

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7.	<p>Report on January 25-26 SPC Chairs' Meeting - Doug Cuthbert</p> <p>The meeting focused on the draft regulations for which there was a workshop held yesterday - nine people from Halton/Hamilton attended. EBR is open for comments until March 26.</p> <p>Discussion took place on a ten-year commemorative for Walkerton to showcase what has been done since.</p> <p>The MOE is open and receptive to including other issues such as identification of emerging issues in the Assessment Report.</p> <p>Municipal elections are in the fall. The question has been raised to the MOE whether current SPC members who are elected officials and choose not to run or are not re-elected can remain on the SPC. If a Council resolution indicating support for their continuing membership is obtained and is supported by the Source Protection Authority, they can continue serving on the committee if they so wish.</p> <p>Web sites - there was MOE concern across the 19 committees in that websites are not being updated. Josh Wright advised there will be a significant update for our site in the near future. The sites are also to include a French language component. Diane is aware of this and has initiated some action to update.</p> <p>Suggested that either MOE or SPC Chairs organize Drinking Water Source Protection conference sometime over the next two to three years. The Chairs will approach the American Water Works Association as to their interest in organizing a conference on the topic.</p>	
8.	<p>Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Update</p> <p>Presentation by Josh Wright.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> Are salt management plans and actions eligible for next round of funding? John Westlake's understanding is that the fine tuning on funding is still being done and should be able to answer that question in April.</p>	

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9.	<p>Assessment Report Update</p> <p>Halton Region's Oakville Intake IPZ delineation – IPZ-2 was modelled correctly using the appropriate intake pipe. The IPZ-1 was drawn around the wrong intake pipe and will be corrected.</p> <p>Presentation by Dirk Kassenaar of Earthfx on City of Hamilton's draft model results. The Hamilton groundwater modeling is complete. WHPAs and vulnerability scores have been delineated/assigned. The files will be sent to the peer reviewers for their review.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> What rates were the municipal wells pumped at? Permitted rates with operational considerations. Request for maps of wellhead protection areas and full draft report.</p>	<p>Chris Shrive to advise within 24 hours if draft Earthfx report is available for distribution to SPC members.</p> <p>Earthfx presentation to be distributed (staff).</p>
10.	<p>Draft Amendments to Reg. 287/07 - Development of Source Protection Plans</p> <p>Presentation by John Westlake – Source Protection Plans Developed Under the Clean Water Act – Draft Regulation Amendments Proposal</p> <p>Presentation by Ruth Victor – Draft Regulation Overview and Comments (handout)</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> Has the Province done anything about providing information to municipalities on climate change as opposed to having each municipality do that on their own? A way to include/incorporate climate change data should be identified. There is concern regarding conflicting policies between source protection regions, particularly within one municipality. The program is designed to be driven locally and we could end up without consistency across municipalities and province. Could influence site selection for business operation. Compatibility and consistency has been discussed with adjacent project managers and will continue to be discussed. The application of policies should be universal; otherwise, distorting good governance.</p>	<p>Electronic copies of the two presentations to be distributed to SPC members (staff).</p>

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	<p>Suggestion that a depository area be set up where Regions can contribute different types of policy tools and other Regions could draw from.</p> <p>The holder of a prescribed instrument is obligated to defend their practices. The Risk Management Official deems whether the prescribed instrument is sufficient to address the threat or whether a risk management plan is required. This speaks to the need of competency of the official. Need for early communication with instrument holders. The question of dialogue has been brought to the Province's attention.</p> <p>Comments on draft regulation are due to MOE by March 26. Comments are to be sent to Diane Bloomfield within the next week. If individuals wish to respond, they are encouraged to do so independently.</p> <p>Grand River has sent out letters to landowners already. When will our communications start?</p>	<p>(Diane's note – the project managers have discussed this sharing of policy ideas between Regions)</p> <p>All – send Diane Bloomfield your comments on the draft regulation for inclusion in our MOE response letter by March 9.</p> <p>(Diane's note – landowner contact begins when significant threats are known. New delineation of Hamilton's wellhead protection areas requires all threats work to be redone.)</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Work Plan for Source Protection Planning</p> <p>Presentation by Ruth Victor. No questions raised by Committee.</p>	
<p>12.</p>	<p>Communications Update – Roy Maxwell (handout - event list March/April 2010)</p> <p>Roy Maxwell has met with Diane Bloomfield and will be meeting with her again March 15 and then with the sub-committee.</p> <p>Discussed public service announcements, events, web site and communication plan. There are three key audiences: landowners in vulnerable areas, stakeholders and the general public. The focus is one key message for each audience (although the messages may overlap).</p>	<p>Roy Maxwell to update Diane Bloomfield on discussion</p>

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	<p>A new brochure is being developed as a basic source protection handout. Working with designer.</p> <p><u>Discussion</u> The sub-committee should contribute to the communications plan. Would like to see the plan for the next meeting. A sub-committee meeting is planned for late March. Sub-committee would like to see the content of the brochure before it is finalized.</p>	
13.	<p>SPC Meeting Schedule</p> <p>HHSPC 10-03 Moved by: Margaret McCarthy Seconded by: Adam Kuehnbaum</p> <p>THAT the following HHSPC meeting schedule be accepted: April 20, 2010 May 18, 2010 June 22, 2010 August 24, 2010 September 28, 2010</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>	
14.	<p>Other Business None</p>	
15.	<p>Comments from Attending Public None</p>	
15.	<p>Adjournment</p> <p>HHSPC 10-04 Moved by: Chris Shrive Seconded by: Susan Fielding</p> <p>THAT the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee adjourns at 5:10 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried.</p>	

Minutes prepared by: Faye Innes/Diane Bloomfield