



Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee

MEETING NUMBER: 1-18
DATE: March 06, 2018
TIME: 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm
LOCATION: Conservation Halton Administration Building,
2596 Britannia Road West, Burlington

MINUTES

SPC Attendees:

Bert Andrews
Bob Edmondson
Michael Kandravv
Turlough Finan arrive 3:00
Adam Gilmore
Judi Partridge
Glenn Powell
David Rodgers
Gavin Smuk

Absent with Regrets:

Dave Braden Proxy held by Gavin Smuk
Scott Peck, Liaison, Hamilton Conservation Authority

Other Attendees:

Dan Banks, Region of Halton
Diane Bloomfield, Conservation Halton
Tony Colaco, Health Liaison
Bilal Kidwai, Liaison, MOECC
Barbara Veale, Liaison, Conservation Halton
Melissa Ricci, Town of Halton Hills
Cindy Toth, Town of Oakville
Jen Croswell, Niagara Region
Carmen Vega, City of Hamilton

1. Roll Call – introduction of Dan Banks, Supervisor Water Resources Planning, who will replace Adam Gilmore on the SPC, and round table of introductions of members
2. Disclosures of Conflict of Interest – None
3. Acceptance of Agenda
HHSPC 18-01 Moved by Michael Kandravv and seconded by Judi Partridge
That the agenda be accepted as distributed.

Carried

4. Approval of Source Protection Committee Meeting Minutes dated December 12, 2017
HHSPC 18-02 Moved by Glenn Powell and seconded by Bert Andrews

That the Minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting of the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising from the December 12, 2017 SPC meeting minutes

Staff were unable to arrange for a farming community representative to report on the development of nutrient management plans and will try to incorporate this into S.36 discussions.

Action: If Members have suggestions for speakers at upcoming meetings as part of our Section 36 work planning, please advise Diane Bloomfield. Judi suggested Tony DiGiovanni, Executive Director, Landscape Ontario to speak on road de-icing.

6. SPC Chair's Update

Bob Edmondson provided an update on the Chairs' meeting held March 1 and 2, 2018 and his report is attached to these Minutes. Some discussion was held on the proposed inclusion of hydrocarbon pipelines as a prescribed threat, the project developing methodology to include impacts from climate change on water quality, the proposed DNAPL exemption for retail operations, and drinking water systems not included in the program now.

7. MOECC Liaison's Update

Bilal Kidwai provided an overview of a source protection initiative for First Nations communities, including development of training, resources and guidance to help indigenous communities gain access to resources to support their development and implementation of source protection plans.

He also indicated that the provincial Source Protection Information Atlas (SPIA – <https://www.gisapplication.lrc.gov.on.ca/SourceWaterProtection/Index.html?viewer=SourceWaterProtection.SWPViewer&locale=en-US>) has been updated to include more layers and make the site more functional.

8. SPC Communication Plan – Communications Plan distributed – Bob Edmondson

The MOECC is willing to fund SPC member outreach to the community and the represented sectors. \$2,400 has been requested for member per diems. The Plan includes outreach to municipal councillors, SPAs, MPPs due to two elections this year. It's a good opportunity to remind candidates and elected officials about what the program is and what their role is.

Discussion: Should involve municipal staff and target community events together with municipality, use social media for factual information, work this into the education and outreach policy requirements, and consider the use of Councillor newsletters.

Members should consider using an effective message such as: Where does your drinking water come from? This connects landowner activities to drinking water. Need a call to action as part of the message, even if it is to visit the website.

Direct contact with affected landowners should be part of the outreach.

For presentations, MOECC general slide deck is available and if other, more targeted ones, are needed then contact Bilal Kidwai.

HHSPC 18-03 Moved by Judi Partridge and seconded by Michael Kandravy

THAT the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee adopts the Communication Plan presented at the March 6, 2018 meeting as the basis for their Education and Outreach program for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.

Carried

9. Source Protection Authority Annual Progress Report Overview – Diane Bloomfield

Diane provided an overview of the source protection authorities' annual progress report supplemental form. Her presentation is attached.

10. Source Protection Committee opinion on plan implementation – Part II of the Source Protection Authority Annual Progress Report – Bob Edmondson

Bob provided an overview of his draft Part II response on the opinion of the SPC on whether the plan is achieving its objectives of ensuring significant threats cease to exist and don't occur in the future. There was agreement that the ranking of progressing well and the response as written was acceptable.

11. Source Protection News – Diane Bloomfield

- a) The source protection logo has changed to modernize it and make it more accessible.
- b) Guelph-Guelph Eramosa Township process is under way to develop policies for the City of Guelph's water quantity wellhead protection area that extends into the Morriston area in Halton-Hamilton Region. Diane sits on a liaison group, which is a forum for communication between the broader community and the project team. The section 36 work plan will include assessment report update to bring in the science and plan update to bring in/amend policies.
- c) Water Quantity Management Review: MOECC assessment process underway of groundwater resources in Ontario. Includes an assessment of the water bottling industry. An EBR posting is scheduled for fall 2018.
- d) Superior court of Quebec judge ruled that the a small Quebec township of 157 people was within its rights to protect its water supply by imposing a 2 km no-drill zone around their water source.
- e) The Canadian Government has invested \$44.84 million for new and ongoing studies of the Great Lakes, including reducing toxic and nuisance algae and identifying at risk nearshore waters.

12. Other Business

Chair thanked Adam Gilmore for his contribution on the Committee.

Members were reminded to review the sections of the plan, assessment reports and explanatory document that were e-mailed and advise Diane of any possible inclusions in the section 36 plan review work planning.

Next Meeting: May – actual date has yet to be determined.

13. Adjournment

That the Source Protection Committee meeting of March 06, 2018 be adjourned.