

Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region

1. Source Protection Committee Draft Proposed Assessment Report

The local Source Protection Committee (SPC) recently approved the Draft Proposed Assessment Report. The official public notice was published on May 6, 2010.

Public notice of publication, meetings and commenting period has been released. Electronic copies of the reports can be viewed at www.waterprotection.ca.

Public meetings have been scheduled as follows, where Draft Proposed Assessment Report contents and maps will be available. Members of the public can schedule a delegation time at any of the public meetings.

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| May 19, 2010 | 2-5pm | Grey Sauble Conservation office
lower level – 237897 Inglis Falls Rd
Owen Sound |
| May 26, 2010 | 4-8pm | Beaver Valley Community Centre
81 Victoria St. S, Thornbury |
| May 27, 2010 | 4-8pm | Walkerton Ag Society Building #2
210 Durham St. W, Walkerton |
| May 28, 2010 | 2-4pm | SPC Meeting
Holstein Community Centre
392137 Grey Rd 109, Holstein |
| May 29, 2010 | 10-12pm
1-3pm | Amabel Sauble School
555 Sauble Falls Pkwy
Sauble Beach |
| May 31, 2010 | 4-8pm | Fire Dept. Community Hall
381 Main St. N, Mount Forest |
| June 2, 2010 | 4-8pm | Davidson Centre
601 Durham St., Kincardine |
| June 3, 2010 | 4-8pm | Municipality of Northern Bruce
Peninsula office, 56 Lindsay Rd 5
North of Ferndale off Hwy 6 |

The May 19 and May 29 meetings will be webcast over the internet. See website for web conference details.

Comments on the Draft Proposed Assessment Report must be received in writing by June 10, 2010 at 4:30pm. Comments received from the public will then be reviewed and considered by the SPC.



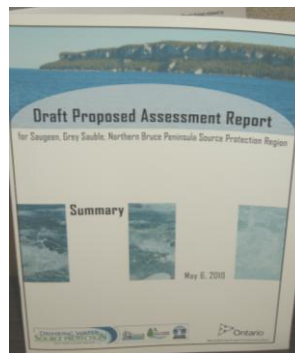
April SPC meeting, Owen Sound Royal Canadian Legion



March SPC meeting, Neustadt Community Centre Hall

The second commenting period will take place in July 2010, in which the Proposed Assessment Report will be available to the public. This period will allow for public comments to be submitted to the Source Protection Authorities.

The Proposed Assessment Report will be finalized by the end of September 2010, with reports submitted to the Minister of the Environment.



Draft Proposed Assessment Report – Summary
This summary document has been created to give an overview of the process, an explanation of each chapter and general findings for the three Source Protection Areas. This summary helps to understand the full Draft Proposed Assessment Reports. It can be accessed at: www.waterprotection.ca

Change in Committee Members

At the March and April Source Protection Committee meetings, two new members were introduced.

Carolyn Parker has an extensive background in the water industry and up-to-date knowledge on Drinking Water Source Protection. Carolyn will be representing the industrial sector.

Kathie Hughes is an experienced municipal drinking water system operator and has expertise in water testing. Kathie will represent the municipal group 1, which includes: Georgian Bluffs, South Bruce Peninsula and Northern Bruce Peninsula. Both Carolyn and Kathie will be assets to the Source Protection Committee as development of Source Protection Plans begin.

Upcoming SPC meetings:

- Friday, May 28, 2010 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Holstein Community Centre
- Friday, June 25, 2010 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
Sauble Beach Community Centre

Agendas and minutes are available on our website.

www.waterprotection.ca

Working Groups

Both the Agricultural and Rural Working Group and the Planning Officials Working Group continue to play an active role in assisting the SPC. New ideas, suggestions and details that will reflect workable policies within the Source Protection Plans are presented regularly to the Committee.

2. Stewardship Initiatives

Education

The Education Specialist has been presenting to elementary and secondary schools within the Region on Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP). Students are interested and engaged in protecting sources of drinking water. A DWSP booth was open at both Roots of Bruce and Grown in Grey.

Early Actions Funding

Projects are continuing to be completed throughout the local Source Protection Region to protect drinking water.

Types of projects that are being funded include:

- Well decommissioning and upgrading
- Septic system inspections and upgrades
- Runoff and erosion protection
- Pollution prevention reviews

More information and areas eligible for funding can be viewed at www.waterprotection.ca through the Stewardship Page.

On Saturday, June 12, 2010, stop by the DWSP booth at the Walkerton Community Centre Auditorium to visit us and other water-related industry displays.



Lion's Head Intake Protection Zone



Education & Outreach Specialists at the Chesley Agrifair 2010.

Stewardship Tip for this PROFILE:

Know where your local drinking water comes from and how close you are from a Wellhead Protection Area or Intake Protection Zone. Protect it by being cautious with chemicals or pathogens.

Be sure to check out the Draft Proposed Assessment Reports. They are full of interesting and useful information about our local area and drinking water resources.

3. Source Protection Staff

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