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CTC SOURCE PROTECTION REGION



CTC SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

October 7, 2011

CAROL REID, REGIONAL CLERK
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Dear Carol Reid,

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FOR THE ATTENTION OF COUNCIL
Deadline for Comment – December 31, 2011

Notification of Designation of Implementation of Source Protection Plan Policies Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 2006 (the Act) and Ontario Regulation 287/07

Municipalities located in a source protection area designated to implement Source Protection Plan policies must be notified of the opportunity to make comment on the draft wording of the policies prior to the proposed draft of the Source Protection Plan being released to the public for consultation. Peel Region and its lower tiers have been designated to implement certain Source Protection Plan policies by the Credit Valley, Toronto and Region, and Central Lake Ontario (CTC) Source Protection Committee (SPC).

Background

The Ontario *Clean Water Act, 2006* and the associated Regulations have prompted the formation of the CTC Source Protection Committee. The mandate of this Committee is to develop a science-based Source Protection Plan for each Source Protection Area to ensure the protection of existing and future municipal drinking water sources. The Peel Region's representative on the committee is Mark Schiller, Director, Water Division, Region of Peel.

The first task of the Source Protection Committee was to develop its own **Terms of Reference (TOR)** for each of the three Source Protection Areas within the CTC Source Protection Region. The Terms of Reference outlined all the steps to be taken to develop and implement a Source Protection Plan. The TORs for each of the Toronto and Region, Credit Valley and Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Areas of the CTC Source Protection Region were approved by the Ministry of the Environment on August 17, 2009.

The second step in the process was to develop an **Assessment Report (AR)** for each Source Protection Area in the CTC Source Protection Region. The Assessment Reports identify vulnerable areas where municipal drinking water sources might face a risk of contamination or depletion and identifies drinking water threat activities within those vulnerable areas. After two rounds of public consultation an Assessment Report was submitted in August 2010 for the Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Area and in December 2010 for the other two areas. Updated Assessment Reports for each Source Protection Area in the CTC Source Protection Region were submitted on July 29, 2011 to the Ministry of the Environment following further public consultation.

(A copy of the CTC Source Protection Explanatory Document is available for viewing from the office of the Regional Clerk)

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The Source Protection Plan

Under the *Clean Water Act, 2006*, the CTC Source Protection Committee must develop policies which address significant drinking water threats as identified in the Source Protection Plan. The Source Protection Committee may designate municipalities to implement some of the policies in the Source Protection Plan.

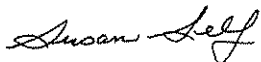
Please find enclosed an explanatory document, maps showing where the policies apply and the draft policies which the Peel Region would be required to implement. The explanatory information provides background to the Source Protection Plan as well as the rationale for the SPC's selected policies. This notice is also being sent to your municipal staff contacts who have been involved in the development of these policies as noted below. Your staff may be preparing reports for your council on this. If your staff wants an electronic copy of the attached material, more detailed explanation or further information, please have them contact the CTC staff noted below. You may make comments on these drafts policies which should be submitted to my attention. There is no requirement under the *Clean Water Act, 2006* for municipal councils to endorse these draft policies or make comment.

In order for us to jointly hear your feedback, a workshop is being organized with ourselves and the adjacent source protection regions. This is an opportunity for your designated municipal representatives (staff or elected officials) to discuss, in one venue, your comments on all the draft policies with representatives of Source Protection Committees within your municipalities. The workshop for Peel Region will be held on November 30, 2011. If you have interest in attending this session, or require more information, please contact Kate Kusiak, Communications Coordinator, CTC Source Protection Region at 416-661-6600, extension 5568 or by email at kkusiak@trca.on.ca.

Should you or your council require further information please discuss your needs with your municipal representative, Mark Schiller (905-791-7800 extension 4394), or Beverley Thorpe, CTC Project Manager (416-661-6600 extension 5577) and we will be pleased to provide the necessary information. If your council would like further information, a presentation or a discussion with staff or councillors, please let Mark Schiller or our staff know.

The Committee will consider carefully any comments your municipality makes. Comments should be sent to me by December 31, 2011 at 70 Canuck Ave, Toronto, ON M3K 2C5, by fax at 416-667-6278 or by email to sourcewater@trca.on.ca. Your municipality will have two additional opportunities to formally provide your opinion on Source Protection plan policies before the plan is submitted to the Minister of the Environment for approval in August 2012. Thank you for your consideration of the foregoing as we all share in the important work to protect our current and future sources of drinking water.

Yours truly,



Susan Self,
Chair, CTC Source Protection Committee

cc: Mark Schiller, Director, Water Division, Region of Peel, CTC Source Protection Committee
Jane Bonsteel, Water Division
Syeda Banuri, Water Division
Mark Head, Principal Planner
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