



**Sudbury Source Protection Committee**  
**72<sup>nd</sup> Meeting**  
**April 4, 2023**

**Held:** Virtually via Teams

**Commenced at:** 1:06 p.m.

**Adjourned at:** 2:45 p.m.

**Present:** Paul Javor, Acting Chair  
Michael Loken  
Luc Bock  
Harry Pearce  
Kendra Driscoll  
Sara Lehman

**Also Present:** Jennifer Davidson, Source Protection Authority Chair  
Joel Castonguay, City of Greater Sudbury  
Andre Frappier, City of Greater Sudbury  
Jessica Brunette, City of Greater Sudbury  
Conor Gamelin, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Madison Keegans, Conservation Sudbury  
Richard Auld, Public Health Sudbury & Districts

**Regrets:** Wendy Wisniewski (proxy to Luc Bock)  
Beth Forrest, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation & Parks

**1. Opening Remarks**

Madison opened the meeting and welcomed members to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Source Protection Committee meeting. Paul Javor is Acting Chair for the meeting due to the vacancy in the Chair position. Madison also welcomed guests Debbie Balika (Conservation Ontario) and Connor Gamelin (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks) to the meeting.

**2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

No declarations of conflict were brought forward.

**3. Approval of Agenda**

**Resolution 2023-01**

**Bock - Driscoll**

*That the agenda for the April 4, 2023 Sudbury Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.*

**Carried.**

#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

##### **Resolution 2023-02**

**Driscoll - Bock**

*That the minutes of the December 6, 2022 Sudbury Source Protection Committee meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.*

**Carried.**

#### **5. City of Greater Sudbury Project Updates**

##### 2022 Annual Water Quality Summary Report

Michael Loken provided an overview of the report. The 2022 Annual Water Quality Summary Report provides a description of the operations of the treatment systems, water quantity, rated capacities and water quality results. Some projects undertaken in 2022 included a detailed design to connect the Garson Wellfield to the Sudbury System and the construction of an iron and manganese removal system for the Blezard Valley-Capreol System.

#### **6. Conservation Ontario Project Updates**

Debbie Balika, Source Water Protection Manager provided an update:

##### Ontario Road Salt Management Advisory Committee

- The committee meets twice a year and is chaired by Conservation Ontario and the Good Roads Association. The committee focuses on working towards collective solutions, knowledge sharing and exploring practical opportunities related to road salt issues in Ontario.
- An ongoing challenge for the group includes balancing liability and public safety, the next committee meeting will include discussions with Marsh Insurance.

##### Communications Working Group

- The Communications Working Group meets four times per year and includes project managers, communications staff, and the MECP.
- Recently completed campaigns include the Drinking Water Source Protection Road Sign Campaign, the [Salt Responsibly Campaign](#), and the Back-to-Basics Campaign. These campaigns are shared on both the [Conservation Ontario](#) and the [Conservation Sudbury](#) Facebook.

##### Best Practices Provincial Tool Kits

- Conservation Ontario in partnership with source protection staff is developing a communications tool kit for project managers and source protection committees to complete outreach for the [Best Practices for Source Water Protection](#) guidance document.
- The toolkit will include resources, story maps, a threats inventory survey, letter templates, and a social media campaign to raise awareness about the guidance document. Separate tool kits with resources for municipalities and the agricultural community will also be released.

## **7. Source Protection Program Update**

Madison provided program updates to committee members:

### Source Protection Committee Chair Recruitment

- There has been a vacancy in the Chair position since August 2022. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is in the process of screening applications to determine a new candidate.

### Source Protection Committee Member Update

- There is currently one Public Member at Large and Industry Member vacancy on the committee. There is a Municipal Member vacancy and the City of Greater Sudbury is in the process of appointing a new member.

### Valley East Tier 3 Update

- The City of Greater Sudbury completed an updated to the Tier 3 Water Quantity Risk Assessment for the Valley East Drinking Water System. The final report was recently provided and the results will be presented to the committee at the next meeting.

### Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 3 Update

- At the last committee meeting the first draft of the Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 3 update was presented. Staff have been working to incorporate committee feedback to evaluate future development and subdivisions. A final draft will be presented at the next meeting for approval.

## **8. Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Update**

### Source Protection Committee Chair Appointments

- There were recently three chair appointments completed by the MECP and four remaining in progress. The MECP is working with the Public Appointments Secretariat to complete the application process.

### TSSA Private Fuel Outlets

- The Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA) is working towards determining the locations of private fuel outlets. The TSSA will hold regional engagement sessions with fuel suppliers and source protection staff to discuss the project.

### Best Practices – First Nations Pilot Project

- The MECP is in the process of entering into agreements with several First Nation Communities across Ontario to complete pilot projects to implement recommendations from the Best Practices for Source Protection Guidance Document.

### Section 34/Section 36 Updates

- The MECP is working through several Section 34/Section 36 submissions including consultation and approvals.

## **9. Review of the Sixth Annual Progress Report**

### **Resolution 2023-03**

**Bock- Driscoll**

*That the Sudbury Source Protection Committee accepts the Sixth Annual Progress Report, including any remarks discussed at the Source Protection Committee Meeting of April 4, 2023.*

*And further, that the Annual Report be brought forward to the Source Protection Authority for approval and subsequent submission to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks by May 1, 2023.*

### **Carried.**

Madison provided an overview of the activities from 2022 including:

- Summary of policy implementation
- The Septic Inspection Program
- Risk Management Plans
- Prescribed Instruments
- Education and Outreach

All sections of the Sixth Annual Progress Report were assigned a score of progressing well/on target. The Source Protection Committee highlighted that nearly 100% of policies have been implemented, significant progress on risk management plans, the completion of the Water Efficiency Strategy and education and outreach initiatives.

### **Feedback for Implementing Bodies**

Madison provided an overview of education and outreach policy requirements and deliverables for 2022. Members provided feedback on the success of the Road Salt Campaign and to continue to focus efforts on road salt information.

## **10. Policy Updates**

### **Resolution 2022-04**

**Bock - Pearce**

*That the Sudbury Source Protection Committee accept the updates to the Salt and Snow Policies, DNAPL Policies and Transition Provisions Policy as presented and that the updated policies be included in the upcoming amendment to the Source Protection Plan.*

### **Carried.**

Madison provided an overview of the salt and snow policy updates including updates to the education and outreach policy, risk management plan policies and prohibition policies. Minor changes to the Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids (DNAPL) policies, and Transition Provisions policy were reviewed.

## **11. Roundtable Updates**

None.

## **12. New Business**

The next meeting will take place in later June 2023, Madison will send a poll to members to determine availability.

## **13. Adjournment**

### **Resolution 2023-05**

*That we do now adjourn.*

**Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

**Next meeting: Summer 2023**