

Hauled Sewage

Sub- Threat The Application of Hauled Sewage to Land

Circumstances Where the application of hauled sewage would be a significant drinking water threat

Policy Tool	Policy ideas
Education and Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area-wide education and outreach programs targeted to haulers/spreaders and agricultural/rural landowners on the importance of respecting separation distance requirements and respecting the conditions of their C of A including the prohibition of application of Hauled Sewage in areas where it would be a significant threat. • Promote widespread adoption of best management practices for haulers/spreaders (including, pre-treatment of septage, method of incorporation into soil, timing of application). • Area-wide education and outreach programs targeted at landowners with septic systems and holding tanks about the importance of maintaining their systems and reducing their use of phosphorus-containing products.
Incentive Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incentive programs were considered and determined to not be applicable to this threat.
Land Use Planning and Municipal Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage municipalities to ban the land application of hauled sewage within their IPZs and WHPAs where it can be a significant drinking water threat, using their powers under the Municipal Act.
Prescribed Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land application sites are legally considered waste disposal sites and require a Certificate of Approval under the Environmental Protection Act. • C of As be required to not allow application of hauled sewage in areas where it would be seen as a significant threat (new or existing)
Municipal Operations/ Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage municipalities install adequate sewage treatment capacity for the treatment/stabilization of septage before applying it to land • Encourage other treatment options (such as by haulers) where sewage treatment capacity is not feasible
Other: Specify Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend MOE prioritize inspections of areas near vulnerable areas where the application of hauled sewage is considered a significant threat, and report to the SPA with the number of inspections carried out, and the number of locations where corrective action was required and the nature of the corrective action.