

Thames – Sydenham and Region Drinking Water Source Protection Source Protection Committee Discussion Paper

Report to Chair and members
Thames – Sydenham and Region
Source Protection Committee

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Re: Source Protection Plan and Supporting Document Contents

Background

The purpose of this discussion paper is to explore the contents of the Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document and develop outlines for these documents and other documents which may support the Source Protection Plan. The outlines contained in this discussion paper have been developed through a workshop held with Source Protection Team members and will be refined further by staff in review of similar products from other regions and through discussions with the Source Protection Committee at workshops and meetings of the committee. It is provided as a general overview and discussion starter for any additional items which need to be included into the documents.

We will be working on 3 separate Source Protection Plans however as much of the text as possible will be consistent in all 3 plans. As we have developed the policy for these Source Protection Plans collectively we will be working towards a single Explanatory Document. It may be necessary to cover it differently for each SPA, however the materials and explanation in it will be common to all 3 SPAs. Much of the supporting materials such as the discussion papers have been developed for the entire region. These will not be customized to each SPA.

Source Protection Plan Outline

1. Preamble
 - 1.1. How to read the plan
 - Refer to Definitions in explanatory document appendix
 - 1.2. Supporting Document
 - 1.2.1. Explanatory Document
 - Purpose
 - Regulatory requirement
 - Description of info included
 - not part of SPP of the plan and policies
 - 1.2.2. Assessment Report
 - 1.2.3. Summaries
 - 1.3. Minimum Standard Only
 - Policies contained in SPP are in the SPC opinion satisfy requirements
 - Municipalities may utilize OP, bylaws etc to further restrict land use in or beyond vulnerable areas
 - 1.4. Status of SPP
 - Use this section to identify the status of the SPP
 - Update as plan status changes
2. Background
 - 2.1. Key Steps in Planning Process-policy development
 - reference to Explanatory document
 - reference Background and Context in AR
 - 2.2. Integration of policy and plan- province wide? (consistency)
 - 2.3. SPC (AR)
 - 2.3.1. Mission/Vision Guiding Principles include & reference document
3. Objectives
 - 3.1. CWA Objectives
4. Data Gaps
 - reference AR
 - 4.1. Threats not identified to date
 - 4.2. IPZ 3 local threats
 - 4.3. ICA.
 - 4.4. Water Quantity-stayed tuned
 - 4.5. Climate Change
 - 4.6. New information or Revisions
5. Consultation
 - 5.1. Consultation Summary
 - refers to details in Explanatory Document
 - 5.2. AR Consultation
 - 5.3. Consultation on Terms of Reference

6. Policy Tools
 - 6.1. Education/Outreach
 - 6.2. Incentives
 - 6.3. Land Use Planning
 - 6.4. Prescribed Instruments
 - 6.5. Part IV tools
 - 6.5.1. S 57 Prohibition
 - Table of policies which apply S57
 - 6.5.2. S 58 Risk Management
 - Table of policies which apply S58
 - 6.5.3. S 59 Restricted Land Use
 - Table of policies which apply S59
 - 6.6. Other Policy Tools
 - 6.6.1. Specify Action
 - 6.6.2. Research and Pilot Programs
 - 6.6.3. SPP Provisions for Monitoring
7. Legal Affect –Legislative Authority
 - 7.1. Relationship pf SPP Policy to other policies and Legislation –Relationship to Existing Plans and Policies
8. Policies
9. Implementation and Integration
 - 9.1. Interpretation
 - 9.2. Definitions
 - 9.3. Implementation. Timing
 - 9.4. Links to Other legislation
10. Next Steps
 - 10.1. Review Process
 - 10.2. Updates
 - 10.3. Updates or Changes in Threats and Circumstances (fine-tuning)
11. Source Protection Plan Appendices
 - 11.1. Assessment Report

Explanatory Document

1. Source Protection Planning Process Overview
 - Reference Assessment Report for details
 - 1.1. Schedule
 - 1.2. Terms of Reference –reference only
2. Explanation of Policy Decisions
 - 2.1. Policy Evaluation Criteria used by the SPC
 - SPC Committee Meeting Minutes- feeds into Policy decisions. Reference to available on web
 - 2.2. Reasons for S57
 - 2.3. Reasons for Prohibition
3. Policy Papers
 - 3.1. Threats Discussion Papers
 - Includes discussion of alternatives considered
 - 3.2. Policy Tool Discussion Papers
 - Includes draft policies
 - 3.3. Revisions through pre-consultation
4. Consultation and Engagement
 - 4.1. Stakeholder engagement in policy development
 - 4.1.1. Working groups
 - 4.1.2. MPAC
 - 4.1.3. FNLC
 - 4.2. Consultation Details
 - 4.3. Summary of Comments
 - 4.4. Response to Comments
 - Resulting changes in documents
5. Cost Considerations
 - 5.1. For Implementers
 - Funding Strategies
 - 5.2. For those engaged in activities
 - Not quantitative
 - Financial Implications
 - this is a good idea & not very expensive
 - power to enforce –Pay
6. Explanatory Document Appendices
 - 6.1. Threats Policy Discussion Papers
 - 6.2. Policy Tools Discussion Papers
 - 6.3. Consultation
 - 6.4. Definitions

Other Supporting Documents

- Not part of Source Protection Plan
- Not part of the formal consultation
- Allows for simple update process to correct minor inconsistencies, formatting, typos, etc
- Stand alone documents
- Can be finalized prior to SPP or can follow SPP in some cases

1. Executive Summary
2. Simple English Version
3. System Summaries
4. Implementer Summaries
5. Consultation & Engagement Plan
6. First Nations
7. Threats Policy Discussion Papers
8. Policy Tool Discussion Paper
 - Some discussion that this level of detail is not appropriate for the background document as it may impact the interpretation of policy
 - Currently included as appendices to the Explanatory Document.