

Financial Assistance/Compensation in Terms of Reference

Option A – this option adds this as a separate task. As such it would apply to all policies developed by the committee

Area Name	Upper Thames River SPA
Water System	N/A
Subject Area	Source Protection Plan Preparation
Assigned Lead	Source Protection Committee
Task Name	Other Source Protection Plan Preparation Task
Other Task Description	
Develop criteria to determine risk management measures and policies to be included in the Source Protection Plan. These Criteria are to be consistent with the Committee's Mission and guiding principles including the principal of being " <i>fair and reasonable</i> ". As part of developing these policies the committee will consider both existing and new opportunities for financial assistance for those affected.	
Comments	
In considering policies to include in the Source Protection Plan the committee will consider the Clean Water Act and its regulations, rules and other provincial guidance. The committee will also consider the types of policies being implemented in neighbouring regions. It will consider financial assistance programs, both existing and new, when requiring existing businesses to go beyond normal business practices and expectations. These policies and programs may consider not only the cost of the change, but the ongoing costs associated with the change in business practice and long term impacts on productive capacity.	
Defined Geographic Area	
Thames-Sydenham and Region	

Option B - this option has similar wording, but includes those same concepts as part of the task related to developing policies related to drinking water threats where it is likely most relevant.

Area Name	Upper Thames River SPA
Water System	N/A
Subject Area	Source Protection Plan Preparation
Assigned Lead	Source Protection Committee
Task Name	Policy development to address drinking water threats
Other Task Description	
N/A	
Comments	
In considering policies to include in the Source Protection Plan the committee will consider the Clean Water Act and its regulations, rules and other provincial guidance. The committee will also consider the types of policies being implemented in neighbouring regions. Criteria will be developed by the committee to compare risk management measures and policies to be included in the Source Protection Plan. These Criteria will be consistent with the committee's mission statement and guiding principles including the principal of being " <i>fair and reasonable</i> ". As part of developing these policies the committee will consider opportunities for financial assistance for those affected. In considering opportunities for financial assistance the committee will consider both existing and new programs. It will consider financial assistance programs when requiring existing businesses to go beyond normal business practices and expectations. These policies and programs may consider not only the cost of the change, but the ongoing costs associated with the change in business practice and long term impacts on productive capacity.	
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Additional Suggestion

Add the sentence

The criteria will also include the sustainability of the policy including the cost of implementing the policy on the stakeholders including the landowner and the municipality.