

Sault Ste. Marie Region Source Protection Committee

Approved Minutes

SPC Meeting

February 16, 2023

Virtual – Zoom 1 pm – 2pm

Land Acknowledgement

The SPC would like to begin by acknowledging that we are in Robinson-Huron Treaty territory and that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional territory of the Anishnaabeg, specifically the Garden River and Batchewana First Nations, as well as Métis People.

Attendance

Mike Delfre – Acting Chair	Marlene McKinnon – Project Manager & Alternate SPA Liaison & Risk Management Inspector
Hal McGonigal – Prince Township Representative	Larry Woolley – SSM Resident
Catherine Taddo – City of SSM Representative	Corrina Barrett – SSMRCA SPA Liaison
Orlan Euale – Water Industry (PUC Services Inc.)	Michael McCarthy, Environment
Temporary Vacancy – Local Business	Christine Ropeter – DWSP Communications
Elizabeth Forrest – MECP Liaison Officer	Peter Tonazzo – Risk Management Official

Guests: None

Regrets: Elizabeth Forrest, MECP, Corrina Barrett, Christine Ropeter, Peter Tonazzo, SSMNPB Planner

Agenda Items:

1. Land Acknowledgement
2. Sign-in/Attendance – acknowledgement of those in attendance and any regrets – quorum is 4 or more members plus Chair
3. Approval of Agenda - amendments – Outdoors Show (other business)
Moved by Larry Woolley, seconded by Hal McGonigal, Carried as Amended
4. Approval of January 19, 2023, minutes as distributed.

Moved by Larry Woolley, seconded by Catherine Taddo, Carried

5. Relevant Documents Distribution – via email

- Transport Pathways – no specific policy but general information to present to municipality.
 - o Example of pile driving for development on Goulais Avenue of the twin pad and previous development of Northern Community Centre. Municipal wells were monitored during and after pile driving for pollution and turbidity. PUC had study in late 2000's with regards to old wells that were not decommissioned. Larry Woolley remembered the Stewardship program to create education materials and decommission old/abandoned wells. Sadly, that is not part of our current funding. Conor Gamelin mentioned that Sudbury is dealing with a IPZ 2 issue and a proposed development that would be prohibited.
- Explanatory document editing –
 - o Looking at the impervious surface methodology explanation for the salt policies and how they look with the new circumstances.
- Draft Annual Progress Report - amendments-
 - o Hal McGonigal had a question about how the SPC 'delivers' the Annual Progress Report – explained that while I draft the report the SPC is to review, suggest changes and approve the report to be presented to the SPA for approval before I submit it to the MECP.
 - o Other edits included;
 - Pg 2, par 2, line 2 ... Progress Report and are IS pleased with ...
 - Pg 2, par 3, line 2 ... that THE OFFICIAL PLANS AND ZONING BYLAWS CONFORM WITH pertinent policies ...
 - Pg 2, par 3, line 3 ... Office, LOCATED WITH THE City of Sault
 - Pg 2, par 3 line 5 ... Inspector are working well with local
 - Pg 2, par 3, line 6 ...landowners AND BUSINESS OPERATORS ...The INITIAL outreach and education...from the Plan were HAVE BEEN completed...
 - Pg 3, par 1, line 7 ... Source Protection Area ALONG ITS ENTIRE WIDTH, extends out to the international border ~~along its entire width~~.
 - Pg 3, par 2, line 4 ...sources for IN the Sault ...
 - Pg 3, par 4, line 2 ... to ensure that significant EXISTING OR FUTURE threats to
 - Pg 4, point 2, ~~Two municipalities in~~ Our source protection area, THAT INCLUDES THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE AND TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE, have ... Municipalities (CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE AND TOWNSHIP OF PRINCE) in our source protection ~~region~~ AREA are in progress or have completed the review and update of their Official Plan and/or Zoning to ensure it conforms with the local source protection plan under the Planning Act.
 - Pg 4, point 4, line 2 ...RMP business closed ...

Motion to approve the Annual Progress Report deferred to the March meeting after the edits have been completed and reviewed again by the SPC members.

6. Communications Update – Christine Ropeter

- Upcoming free social media training – TikTok for Small Business and Social Media Strategy development
- Potential podcasts – through Conservation Ontario and other CA's; most recently the City of Sault Ste. Marie announced podcasts that we may be able to use for the Source Protection message.

7. MECP Update –

- Five Chair appointments are under the Ministers review
- Annual Progress Report
- Many SPA/SPR are preparing their Section 36 or 34 updates
- Best Practice projects are finalizing their planning and funding (two First Nations)
- Chair meeting to be organized after final appointments are completed

8. Questions – tracking of action items – no questions or requests

9. Other Business

- Meetings for March and April – tentatively scheduled for Thursday March 23, virtual 1pm and Thursday April 13, virtual 1pm.
- Great Lakes Outdoor Show (Tourism Sault Ste. Marie) – Mike Delfre asked if the SPC would want to prepare a table for information at Superior Outfitter, April 1st and 2nd
 - Marlene informed the SPC that unfortunately, at this time there is no SPA funding for Outreach and Education of this type. Christine made further inquiries and was told that the vendor side has been sold out.

10. Next meeting – Thursday March 23rd, virtual 1pm to 4pm

11. Adjournment Moved by Larry Woolley, Time 2pm

Action Items:

Date	Action Assigned	Resolution
21Apr22	Prepare draft presentation for SPA and Councils on workplan municipal endorsement	In progress
19May22	Presentation to SSM and Prince Council	Council presentations booked for July 11 th at SSM and July 12 th at Prince both in person.
23Jun22	Forward to members the OLT Decision and the important role that the Clean Water Act played	done
23Jun22	Closed Captioning within Zoom	UPDATE – found settings to enable the feature
23Jun22	Impervious Surface Grid	Work in progress to finalize percentages as per DTRs 2021
20Jul22	Forward Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment Tool information slide deck	Forwarded slide deck and guidance document
17Aug22	Communication Working Group request for script reader	Forwarding information to Larry Woolley
17Aug22	Email to SPC members regarding Acting Chair motion	Email sent requesting mover and seconder and vote.
17Aug22	Investigate existing policies regarding salvage yards.	Presented at September meeting
15Sep22	Request to send out meeting invitation via outlook	Ok going forward
16Feb23	Annual Progress Report	Edit as required for presentation to

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