

MISSISSIPPI-RIDEAU SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, July 4, 2009
7pm
Britannia Water Purification Plant, Ottawa

DISPOSITION

Note: Underlining indicates a new or amended recommendation approved by Committee

1.0 c) Adoption of the Agenda

Motion 1-06/09

That the Agenda be adopted.

Carried

1.0 e) Approval of Minutes

Motion 2-06/09

That the minutes of the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee meeting of June 4, 2009 be approved, as amended.

Carried

1.0 f) Status of Action Items

Motion 3-06/09

That the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee receive the following report for information.

Carried

2.0 Assessment Report Development

Motion 4-06/09

That the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee approve the following studies and their summaries as *Draft* for public consultation, as amended:

- Highly Vulnerable Aquifers: and
- Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas.

Motion 5-06/09

Moved by: Paul Knowles
Seconded by: Eleanor Renaud

Whereas, Ontario's *Clean Water Act* and the associated technical rules guiding the development of the Assessment Reports is focused on minimizing risks to municipal drinking water sources;

And whereas, where municipal drinking water sources face significant threats, mandatory actions can be required within the Source Protection Planning process;

And whereas, over 90% of the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Region is comprised of highly vulnerable aquifers (HVA's) and the location of these HVAs is most important for those supplied by private wells;

And whereas, the technical rules for those areas designated as HVA's or Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRAs) do provide the ability to identify issues within these areas, and for non-municipal wells, are limited to chemical or nuclear contaminants;

And whereas, the maximum vulnerability score that can be applied for HVAs or SGRAs (excluding those areas that overlap with a WHPA) is 6, and land use activities within these areas are categorized as low or moderate threats, and in essence precludes the identification of significant threats;

Therefore be it resolved that as part of the source protection planning process, Staff be directed to explore the merits and resource requirements to complete an inventory of land uses within HVAs and SGRAs targeted to specific activities that may have a high potential to release contaminants into groundwater;

And, that a report be brought back to Committee for further consideration.

Carried

3.0 Community Outreach

Motion 6-06/09

That the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee receive the following report for information.

Carried

4.0 SPC Meeting Schedule

Motion 7-06/09

Moved by: Alex Cullen
Seconded by: Randy Malcolm

That the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee keep their current meeting schedule with meetings scheduled for October 1, November 5, and December 3 starting at 1pm.

Carried