

General Information

Become a member of the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee

The Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee (SPC) includes members who represent municipal interests, economic interests and public interests. The SPC membership underwent a renewal in 2018 and 2019 to ensure that it remains in compliance with Ontario Regulation 288/07, the regulation that governs Source Protection Committees under Ontario's *Clean Water Act*. Most recently, a vacancy has come up for a public sector seat on the Committee.

Do you want to represent public interests on the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee? Apply by **April 28, 2023**.

Work with our Committee to oversee the implementation of science-based source protection plans and their continued development, to protect municipal drinking water sources in the Mississippi Valley and Rideau Valley watersheds

Committee Composition

- 4 municipal representatives
- 4 economic sector representatives (agriculture, industry and commercial sectors)
- 4 public interest representatives (e.g., general public, environmental, First Nations, and non-governmental organizations) — **1 vacancy for public interest representatives**

Summary of Committee Functions

- Oversee a science-based planning process to protect municipal drinking water sources in the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Region
- Guide the implementation of the Mississippi-Rideau source protection plan, amendments to the plan and assessment reports, and other source protection work in accordance with the *Clean Water Act* and its regulations

Source Protection Committee Member Obligations

The following requirements are set out in the regulation:

- Members must reside in, own or rent property in, be employed or operate a business in, or be employed by a municipality that is located within the boundaries of the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Region
- Members cannot be a current board or staff member of the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority or the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority
- Once appointed, members must regularly attend SPC meetings and comply with the committee's code of conduct

SPC members should be willing and able to:

- Contribute positively to the development of amendments to the technical assessment report and the source protection plans, and oversee their implementation
- Attend meetings, normally two to three meetings annually
- Make a long-term time commitment to participate (ideally five years)
- Review and understand scientific and technical reports
- Prepare for meetings by reviewing agendas and reports in advance of the meeting
- Attend training sessions, participate at public meetings and open houses on occasion
- Act as a liaison for the interest(s) you are representing (bring commonly held opinions to the committee table and communicate back to the committee's work)
- Work with others collaboratively to solve problems and make decisions at the committee table
- Respect confidential information and abide by the process in place to safeguard confidential information

Member Qualifications

The Source Protection Authorities will consider the following when making appointments to the SPC:

- Proven ability to act as a liaison for the interest(s) being represented
- Excellent problem-solving, analytical, communication and organizational skills
- Knowledge of local watersheds, communities and issues
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with groups and in a team environment
- Willingness to work with representatives from other sectors and interests
- Willingness and ability to travel the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Region

Remuneration

SPC members will be entitled to a *per diem* for their attendance at meetings and other events, as well as compensation for travel and other expenses.

How to Apply to be a Source Protection Committee Member

Interested individuals must submit:

- A completed application form
- Resume

Applications will be accepted until April 28, 2023. Applications should be submitted to:

Mississippi Valley and Rideau Valley Source Protection Authorities
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