

NIAGARA PENINSULA SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

VIRTUAL MEETING

June 29, 2021

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES – VIA TELECONFERENCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: B. Hodgson (Chair)
R. Bator
C. Bodimeade
T. Dalimonte
A. Michaud
D. Semple
D. Fry
A. Willems
T. Rigby

MEMBERS ABSENT: C. Vega

LIAISONS PRESENT: T. Pesheva, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
B. Wright, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

LIAISONS ABSENT: P. Jekel, Niagara Public Health

STAFF PRESENT: T. Proks, Source Water Protection Coordinator
S. Miller, Senior Manager, Water Resources
E. Navarro, Communication Specialist
B. Lee, GIS Specialist
C. Sharma, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

ROLL CALL

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

BUSINESS:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., welcomed everyone to the virtual SPC meeting. The Chair conducted roll call and asked if there was a conflict of interest with any of the members and for them to declare it. No conflicts of interest were declared. The following resolution was then presented:

SPCR-08-21

THAT: the SPC agenda for the meeting of June 29, 2021 be adopted.

MOVED BY: C. Bodimeade

SECONDED BY: D. Fry

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

(1) **MINUTES – March 23, 2021, SPC MEETING**

The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions on the March 23, 2021 meeting minutes. There being none, the following resolution was then presented:

SPCR-09-21

THAT: the minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held on March 23, 2021 be received and approved as presented.

MOVED BY: T. Dalimonte

SECONDED BY: A. Michaud

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

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(2) **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

(3) **UPDATES:**

CHAIR

Chair Hodgson provided an update regarding Provincial funding for Source Water Protection. He advised that there have not been any changes.

CAO

CAO Sharma provided the following updates to the Source Protection Committee:

- Province is implementing a technical guidance document re: private wells for community and municipal input. Niagara would be a good pilot to provide input and promote the guide. No schedule was given for implementation.
- CAO Sharma echoed the Chairs comments regarding the Province’s commitment to continue funding the program.
- A Terms of Reference for the Source Protection Committee highlighting role and responsibilities is being worked on alongside Conservation Ontario.
- New Director of Watershed, Leilani Lee-Yates was announced.

PROJECT MANAGER

Mr. Proks provided the following updates to the Source Protection Committee:

- 2020 Report was approved by SPA, was sent to Ministry, now posted on NPCA website.
- Draft technical work, of IPZ delineation was forwarded to Ministry for review.
- Decew Falls updates have been deferred, likely until 2026.
- Welland Water Treatment Plant is at 40% design.
- Regulatory Proposal Consultation Guide was posted by M.E.C.P. which includes changes of Bill 229 affecting the Conservation Authorities.
- 2021-2022 yearly Transfer Payment Agreement has been signed and received.
- Fuel handling storage and pipelines policies was submitted to Ministry for review and comment. No comments or edits were provided by the Ministry.

MECP Liaison

T. Pesheva provided the following staffing updates to the Source Protection Committee:

- New MECP Director, Kirsten Corrigan
- T. Pesheva last meeting in attendance, as B. Forrest will be returning from leave.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication updates were provided by Ms. Navarro regarding an upcoming Source Protection communication e-newsletter and general information brochure, as well as updates regarding a Conservation Ontario led working group for public consultations.

(4) CORRESPONDANCE

SPCR-10-21

THAT: the attached correspondence be **RECEIVED**.

MOVED BY: D. Semple
SECONDED BY: A. Michaud

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

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- April 27, 2021, Correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie RE: Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation.
- May 21, 2021, Correspondence from the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake RE: Province Investigating and Updating Source Water Protection Legislation.

Details and context about the correspondence were provided by Mr. Proks.

(5) PRESENTATION

Presentation delivered by Brian Lee and Thomas Proks about Transport Pathways, provided in conjunction with Report SPC-04-21 NPSPA Transport Pathway Notification Tool.

This report highlights NPSPA Transport Pathway Notification Tool. Discussion ensued and the following motion was presented:

SPCR-11-21

- 1) **THAT** the presentation in conjunction with SPC-04-21 be **ADOPTED** as presented.
- 2) **THAT** Report No. SPC-04-21 be **RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION**.
- 3) **AND THAT** the SPC **DIRECT** staff to engage with participating municipalities with respect to transport pathways and their notification obligations.

MOVED BY: D. Fry
SECONDED BY: C. Bodimeade

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

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(6) REPORTS

a) **REPORT NO: SPC-04-21, NPSPA Transport Pathway Notification Tool**

This report highlights NPSPA Transport Pathway Notification Tool. See 5) Presentation.

b) **Report SPC-05-21 Section 36 Workplan**

This report provides the Source Protection Committee (SPC) with an updated workplan for completing the Section 36 updates. Extension to deadline was granted by the Province.

The following resolution was presented:

SPCR-12-21

THAT Report No. SPC-05-21 be **RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION**.

MOVED BY: R. Bator
SECONDED BY: D. Semple

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

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(6) OTHER BUSINESS

T. Proks going on paternity leave for 6 weeks, will return September 2021.

(7) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:35 pm.
 The following resolution was presented:

SPCR-13-21

THAT: this meeting do now adjourn.

MOVED BY: T. Rigby
SECONDED BY: C. Bodimeade.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		C. Bodimeade	√		D. Fry	√	
A. Willems	√		A. Michaud	√		T. Dalimonte	√	
D. Semple	√		T. Rigby	√				

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Bill Hodgson, Chair

T. Proks, Project Coordinator