





# Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee Meeting

Wednesday December 3, 2014

9:30 a.m.

South Nation Conservation Office 38 Victoria Street Finch, Ontario



Adjournment

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2.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest			
3.	Approval of Agenda			
4.	Approval of Source Protection Committee Minutes (January 23, 2014)	1-4		
5.	New Business			
	<ul> <li>a) Project Management Update – Richard</li> <li>b) Source Protection Committee Appointments - Richard</li> <li>c) Source Protection Implementation Update (presentation) – Alison</li> <li>d) A look back where we've been (presentation) - Phil</li> </ul>	5 6-8		
6.	Date of Next SPC Meeting: To Be Determined			
7.	Correspondence	9-15		
	a) Letter from Alton Blair and Bill Smirle to Ling Mark (MOE) (Apr 17, 2014) b) Letter from Minister Glen Murray (MOECC) to SPAs and SPC (Oct 23, 2014) c) Letter from Ling Mark (MOECC) to Grand Chief Mitchell (Nov 4, 2014) d) Letter from Ling Mark (MOECC) to Janet Stavinga (Nov 4, 2014)			

### Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee Meeting

Meeting No. 43

**Date:** January 23, 2014

Time: 9:30 a.m.

**Location:** South Nation Conservation

Finch, Ontario

In attendance:

Claude Cousineau Chair

Mary McCuaig Municipalities of Prescott & Russell

John St. Marseille
Michel Kearney
Brian Powell
Jacqueline Pemberton
Walter Oeggerli
City of Cornwall
City of Ottawa
Agriculture
Agriculture
Agriculture

Peggy Taylor Commercial/Industrial

Don Munro General Public Tom Van Dusen General Public

Ray Beauregard Eastern Ontario Water Resources Committee
Alton Blair Raisin Region Source Protection Authority Liaison
Lawrence Levere South Nation Source Protection Authority Liaison

Mary Wooding Ministry of Environment Liaison Clothilde Howieson Eastern Ontario Health Unit (on behalf of Caroline Kuate)

Regrets:

Chris McDonell Municipalities of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

Blair Walker Aggregates

Caroline Kuate Eastern Ontario Health Unit Henry Lickers Mohawk Council of Akwesasne

Robert Craftchick Algonquins of Ontario

Guests:

Doug Thompson City of Ottawa Glenn Mackey Leeds & Grenville

Bill Smirle South Nation Conservation Chair

Staff: Dennis O'Grady South Nation Conservation General Manager

Richard Pilon Project Manager
Alison McDonald Environmental Planner
Phil Barnes Water Resources Engineer
Ronda Boutz Water Quality Coordinator

Marika Havekes Property and Approvals Assistant

1. Chairman's Remarks:

Chair Claude Cousineau welcomed all in attendance and called the meeting to order at 9:42 a.m.

- 2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest:
  - o No conflict of interest was identified.
- 3. Approval of Agenda:
  - o Chair Claude Cousineau reviewed the agenda with members of the Source Protection Committee

MOTION # 01/14 MOVED BY: Jacqueline Pemberton SECONDED BY: Brian Powell

That the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee approves the agenda for the meeting of January 23, 2014, as presented.

### CARRIED.

4. Approval of Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee minutes of June 27, 2013:

MOTION # 02/14 MOVED BY: Ray Beauregard SECONDED BY: Mary McCuaig

That the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee approves the minutes of the meeting held on June 27, 2013, as presented.

### CARRIED.

- 5. New Business:
  - a) Project Management Update:
    - o Richard Pilon presented a report to the Committee to provide an update on the Source Protection Program.

MOTION # 03/14 MOVED BY: Don Munro SECONDED BY: Brian Powell

That the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee receives and files the Project Management Update report, as presented.

### CARRIED.

- b) Source Protection Committee Appointments:
  - Richard Pilon presented a report to the Committee to provide an update on Source Protection Committee Appointments.
  - o It was noted that in September there were 5 vacant seats on the Committee
  - o John St. Marseille is now representing the City of Cornwall
  - o Caroline Kuate is now representing Eastern Ontario Health Unit
  - o There will be a Leeds & Grenville representative appointed in the near future

**MOTION** # 04/14

**MOVED BY:** Jacqueline Pemberton **SECONDED BY:** Ray Beauregard

That the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee receives and files the Source Protection Committee Appointments, as presented.

### CARRIED.

- c) Source Protection Planning Update:
  - o Alison McDonald presented a report to the Committee to provide an update on the source protection planning process.
  - The revised Proposed Source Protection Plan was presented to the Committee. It was noted that there were minor changes made to the plan regarding the appendix, general edits and policy titles. The policy changes of particular interest are: AG-2, SEWG-1, SEWG-2&3, GENERAL-6 and MONITORING-3.

**MOTION** # 05/14

MOVED BY: Mary McCuaig SECONDED BY: Walter Oeggerli

That the Source Protection Committee approve the changes to the revised Proposed Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document;

And further, that the revised Proposed Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document be submitted to the Source Protection Authorities.

### CARRIED

6.	Date of Next Meeting:		
	To Be Determined.		
7.	Correspondence:		
8.	Adjournment.		
	The meeting was adjourned at: 11:10am		
	Recorded by: Marika Havekes		
	Claude Cousineau	Richard E. Pilon, P.Eng.	
	Chair	Project Manager	







**TO:** Source Protection Committee

FROM: Richard Pilon

DATE: November 25, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Project Management Update

### **Purpose:**

To update the Source Protection Committee on the Source Protection Program.

### Discussion:

The Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Plan was approved by the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change on October 23, 2014. This comes as a result of many years of study, policy development, and consultation.

The Plan's effective date is April 1, 2015. This is the date when the Source Protection polices take effect. Staff will continue to work with municipalities to ensure they are prepared for the implementation date.

Most municipalities (16 out of 18) have signed agreements with the Raisin Region and South Nation Conservation Authorities to undertake the role of risk management on their behalf. The City of Ottawa and the City of Cornwall are planning to hire their own Risk Management officials. Conservation Authority staff are presently setting up the Risk Management Office and training Risk Management Officials and Inspectors.

An update on implementation activities will be presented at the December SPC meeting.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Source Protection Committee receives and files the Project Management Update report, as presented.

Richard E. Pilon, P. Eng.

Project Manager

Raisin-South Nation Region







**TO:** Source Protection Committee

FROM: Richard Pilon

DATE: November 25, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Source Protection Committee Appointments

**Purpose:** 

To update the Source Protection Committee on the terms of appointment of Source Protection Committee members.

### Discussion:

The Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee presently has the following voting representatives (see attachment):

- 5 municipal (municipal seats)
- 5 business/industry (sector seats)
- 5 general public (other seats)

Source Protection Committee members have served since 2007 when they were appointed by the Source Protection Authority in accordance with the requirements in Ontario Regulation 288/07.

Section 8 (2) of the Regulation states that **two appointments each from the municipal**, **business/industry and general public categories expire** when the Source Protection Plan is approved. On the next anniversary of the approval (November 2015) two more from each of the three categories will expire and on the second anniversary of the approval (November 2016) one from each category expires. Vacancies on the committee must be filled as soon as reasonably possible after they expire.

Based on guidance received from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) in October, members of the committee whose terms expire may also reapply. There may be committee members that choose to step down voluntarily. New appointments will be for 3 years.

Section 9(5) of the Regulation allows the Source Protection Authority to fill a vacancy on an interim basis until the vacancy can be filled in accordance with the requirements of the Regulation.

At the November 20, 2014 Source Protection Authority meetings, the following Resolution was passed:

Whereas, Ontario Regulation 288/07 calls for the terms of appointments of some Source Protection Committee members to expire upon the approval of the Source Protection Plan,

That the existing members of the Source Protection Committee whose terms have, or will, expire be appointed as interim members until such time as the vacancies on the Source Protection Committee may be filled, as required by Ontario Regulation 288/07;

And further, that staff begin the process to fill the vacancies, according to requirements in the Regulation and guidance from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

At the present time, there are 3 vacancies on the SPC (1 municipal and 2 other seats). The SPC needs to expire 3 more seats (1 municipal and 2 sector seats).

The Ministry has setup a working group to review the Source Protection Committee structure and appointment process. The working group findings may result in a change in how new members are appointed. In the meantime staff will begin the process to fill the vacancies, according to requirements in the Regulation and guidance from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Source Protection Committee receives and files the Source Protection Committee Appointments report, as presented.

Richard E. Pilon, P.Eng.

**Project Manager** 







# Current Membership – Dec 2014 Source Protection Committee

### Chair

Claude Cousineau

# Municipal Seats

- 1. Chris McDonell (SD&G)
- 2. Mary McCuaig (Prescott-Russell)
  - 3. Vacant (CWC) (Leeds & Grenville)
    - 4. Michel Keraney (Ottawa)
- 5. John St. Marseille (Cornwall)

## Sector Seats

- 2. Jackie Pemberton (Agriculture) 1. Brian Powell (Agriculture)
- 3. Walter Oeggerli (Agriculture)
- 4. Peggy Taylor (Industrial/Commercial)
  - Blair Walker (Aggregate)

### Other Seats

- Ray Beauregard (EOWRC)
- 3. Tom Van Dusen (General Public) 2. Don Munro (General Public)
  - 4. Vacant (CWC)
    - 5. Vacant (SLRRC)

### Liaisons

Caroline Kuate (Public Health - EOHU) Alton Blair (Raisin SPA) Mary Wooding (MOE)

Lawrence Levere (South Nation SPA)

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April 17, 2014

Ms. Ling Mark
Director, Source Protection Programs Branch
Ministry of the Environment
40 St. Clair Avenue West, 14<sup>th</sup> floor
Toronto, ON M4V 1M2

Dear Ms. Mark,

On behalf of both the Raisin Region Source Protection Authority and the South Nation Source Protection Authority, we are pleased to submit our revised proposed Source Protection Plans, as required under the Clean Water Act, 2006.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you as well as your staff for your continued guidance and support as we come to this definitive stage in the source protection process.

Included in this submission package you will find the following:

- 1. Revised Proposed Source Protection Plan (one clean version, two copies illustrating revised information)
- 2. Revised Explanatory Document (one clean version, two copies illustrating revised information)
- 3. One USB flash drive containing the proposed Source Protection Plan and all supporting documentation

We believe that this documentation complies with the proposed Source Protection Plan submission requirements and we look forward to comments and subsequent acceptance of the Source Protection Plans.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact our Project Manager, Mr. Richard Pilon at 613-938-3611 ext. 224 (email: rpilon@nation.on.ca).

Respectfully,

Alton Blair, Chair,

Raisin Region Source Protection Authority

Bill Smirle, Chair,

South Nation Source Protection Authority

cc: Claude Cousineau, SPC Chair

Roger Houde, General Manager, Raisin Region Conservation Authority Dennis O'Grady, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer, South Nation Conservation Richard Pilon, Project Manager Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

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Mr. Alton Blair Chair, Raisin Region Source Protection Authority 18045 County Road #2, P.O. Box 429 Cornwall ON K6H 5T2

Mr. Bill Smirle Chair, South Nation Source Protection Authority 38 Victoria Street, P.O. Box 29 Finch ON K0C 1K0

Mr. Claude Cousineau Chair, Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee 18045 County Road #2, P.O. Box 429 Cornwall ON K6H 5T2

Dear Mr. Blair, Mr. Smirle, and Mr. Cousineau:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the review of the source protection plans for the Raisin Region Source Protection Area and the South Nation Source Protection Area, developed under the Clean Water Act, 2006, has been completed. Pursuant to section 29 of the Clean Water Act. I approve the plans for the Raisin Region Source Protection Area and the South Nation Source Protection Area.

I appreciate the efforts undertaken by the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee and Authorities and all stakeholders to assess and develop a plan to protect drinking water sources in your community. Thank you for all your hard work, leadership and commitment.

Your community is to be commended on the achievement of this important milestone. This is an example of the local, inclusive, community-based approach to protecting source water envisioned by the Clean Water Act. The province has been pleased to support the source assessment and development of the Raisin Region and South Nation Source Protection Plans with an investment of \$12,265,612.36 since 2004. An additional \$1,499,378 was provided within the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region for various projects under the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program to landowners, municipalities and the conservation authority to take action to protect drinking water.

Mr. Blair, Mr. Smirle, and Mr. Cousineau Page 2:

Following today's approval of the plan, in order to allow time to prepare for implementation, the Raisin Region and South Nation source protection plans will take effect on April 1, 2015. Please ensure that this date is clearly stated in the plan when it is posted on the Internet. As specified in the Clean Water Act, the ministry will be posting a notice of the approval of the plan on the Environmental Registry as soon as possible.

Under section 36 of the Clean Water Act, when a source protection plan is approved, an order must also be given that governs the review of the plan. Pursuant to clauses 36 (1) (c) and (d), and as an initial step in the development of detailed requirements that will govern each plan's review, the Raisin Region Source Protection Authority shall prepare and submit workplans to the ministry. The workplans shall propose the detailed steps for the review of the plans, including which portions of the plans are to be reviewed, the timeframes for each step of the review and the consultation that would be undertaken as part of the review. A rationale shall accompany the workplans that explains its contents and summarizes how the workplans were developed. The workplans shall be developed in consultation with the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee, participating municipalities of the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change and the South Nation Source Protection Authority.

The development of the workplans must take into consideration any experience that has been gained from implementing the source protection plans and information from the first annual progress reports on plan implementation (due May 2018). Accordingly, the workplans shall be submitted to the ministry no later than November 30, 2018. Once the workplans are submitted and reviewed by the ministry, and following any further consultation that the ministry considers advisable, a further order can be issued under section 36 that specifies more detailed requirements governing the content and timeframes that will govern the review of the plans for the Raisin Region Source Protection Area and the South Nation Source Protection Area.

With your commitment, significant progress has been made in source protection and the Province looks forward to continuing to work with you and all stakeholders to protect drinking water.

Once again, thank you for your work to protect Ontario's source waters, and please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely

Glen Murray

Minister

c: Sue Lo, Assistant Deputy Minister, DWMD, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

Ling Mark, Director, SPPB, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Roger Houde, General Manager, Raisin Region Conservation Authority Dennis O'Grady, General Manager, South Nation Conservation Authority Richard Pilon, Project Manager, Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

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November 4, 2014

Michael Kanentakeran Mitchell, Grand Chief Mohawks of Akwesasne PO Box 579 Cornwall, ON K6H 5T3

Dear Grand Chief Mitchell,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you in your capacity as Grand Chief of the Mohawks of Akwesasne, that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change has approved the source protection plans for the Raisin Region Source Protection Area and South Nation Source Protection Area under the Clean Water Act.

As you may be aware, the purpose of the Clean Water Act is to protect existing and future sources of drinking water. The act ensures communities are able to protect their drinking water sources through prevention – by developing collaborative, locally driven, watershed based drinking water source protection plans founded on science. Source protection planning is a vital part of Ontario's drinking water safety net, a framework designed to protect drinking water from the source to the tap.

Given your community's past interest, you may know that the act established the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee. This committee is made up of representatives from the local community including municipalities, general public and business. The committee carried out assessments of the local water supplies in the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region and determined the appropriate protective measures set out in the source protection plan for the St. Lawrence River, Ottawa River, and aguifers in the region.

Now that the Minister has approved the source protection plans the next stage is to implement the protective measures set out in the plan. Implementation of the plan will involve many partners, including governments, source protection authorities, businesses, and local citizens.

I wanted to take this opportunity to make you aware of this progress towards protecting sources of drinking water in Ontario.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ling Mark, Director

Source Protection Programs Branch

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

c: Claude Cousineau, Chair, Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Committee Alton Blair, Chair, Raisin Region Source Protection Authority Bill Smirle, Chair, South Nation Source Protection Authority Roger Houde, General Manager, Raisin Region Conservation Authority Dennis O'Grady, General Manager, South Nation Conservation Authority Richard E. Pilon, Project Manager, Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region

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November 4, 2014

Janet Stavinga
Executive Director, Consultation Office
Algonquins of Ontario
31 Riverside Drive
Pembroke, ON
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Dear Ms. Stavinga,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change has approved the source protection plans for the Raisin Region Source Protection Area and South Nation Source Protection Area under the Clean Water Act.

The purpose of the Clean Water Act is to protect existing and future sources of drinking water. The act ensures communities are able to protect their drinking water sources through prevention – by developing collaborative, locally driven, watershed based drinking water source protection plans founded on science. Source protection planning is a vital part of Ontario's drinking water safety net, a framework designed to protect drinking water from the source to the tap.

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I wanted to take this opportunity to make you and the Algonquins of Ontario aware of this progress towards protecting sources of drinking water in Ontario. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ling Mark, Director

Source Protection Programs Branch

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

c: Kirby Whiteduck, Chief, Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation
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