



LAKEHEAD Source Protection AREA

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Source Protection Committee releases Draft Proposed Terms of Reference

The Lakehead Source Protection Committee (SPC) has released the Draft Proposed Terms of Reference for public review and comment. The Draft Proposed Terms of Reference is posted on the Internet at www.sourceprotection.net and is available in print at a number of public locations in the Lakehead Source Protection Area.

“The Terms of Reference will serve as a work plan to guide the creation of a local, science-based plan to protect the sources of water for the two Municipal residential drinking water systems in our area” said Bob Hartley, Chair of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee. Hartley was referring to Lake Superior as the source water for the City of Thunder Bay’s Bare Point Water Treatment Plant and the two groundwater wells that supply the Rosslyn Village Municipal system in the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge.

The Terms of Reference outlines the tasks to be completed in the development of a local Source Protection Plan as regulated under the “Clean Water Act”. It identifies which Municipal drinking water systems will be included in the plan along with the assignment of tasks, associated budgets and timelines to complete the plan.

The public can pick up printed copies of the Draft Proposed Terms of Reference for review and comment at the following public venues: Lakehead Region Conservation Authority, City of Thunder Bay Municipal offices (Office of the Clerk, Environment, Engineering and Planning) and the offices for the Municipalities of Oliver Paipoonge and Shuniah. In addition, copies of the draft documents will be available at Thunder Bay District Health Unit, the four branches of the Thunder Bay Public Library and Kakabeka Falls Community Credit Union – Slate River Branch in Rosslyn Village.

The Lakehead Source Protection Committee is hosting two public information sessions: Tuesday, July 15, 2008 (10 a.m. – 7 p.m.) at the office of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority and Thursday, July 17, 2008 (11 a.m. – 7 p.m.) at the Rosslyn Village Community Centre.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments until Friday, July 25, 2008 to: Lakehead Source Protection Committee Chair, c/o Lakehead Region Conservation Authority, P.O. Box 10427, 130 Conservation Road, Thunder Bay, ON P7B 6T8. Comments can also be sent by fax – 807-345-5857, email – comments@lakeheadca.com or delivered in person.

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