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OPEN HOUSE FOR DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION

The Lakehead Region Conservation Authority will be holding a public Open House as part of its Education and Outreach Project to promote Drinking Water Source Protection. The Open House will be held in the Boardroom at the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Thursday, February 21 (10 a.m. – 8 p.m.) and Friday, February 22, 2008 (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.).

Property owners are invited and encouraged to attend the “Open House” to learn more about what they can do to protect the source of their drinking water whether they are on a Municipal or private drinking water system. Source Protection is everyone’s responsibility and the things we do in our homes and in our yards can have an impact on the sources of water (lakes, rivers and aquifers) that supply our drinking water.

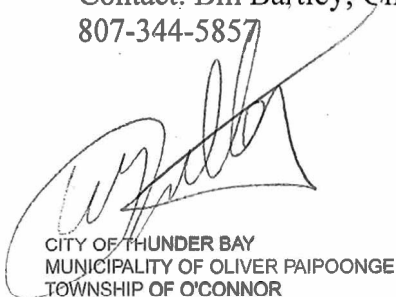
An “Information Guide for Source Protection” has been printed as part of the Education and Outreach Project and will be available at the Open House free of charge. Source Protection Staff will also be on hand to answer questions property owners may have relating to drinking water source protection under the “Clean Water Act”.

The Ontario government has provided \$2 million dollars in funding for Education and Outreach projects across the province to promote awareness of the “Clean Water Act” and the measures property owners and businesses can implement to help protect drinking water sources. The Lakehead Region Conservation Authority initiated its Education and Outreach Project in order to better understand the knowledge property owners living near Municipal residential drinking water systems have, in regard to protecting the sources of their drinking water and to engage property owners to take early actions to protect the sources of drinking water.

For more information about the upcoming Open House, please contact the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority at 344-5857 or visit www.sourceprotection.net.

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