

January 9, 2024

Township of Huron-Kinloss
21 Queen Street,
P.O. Box 130
Ripley, Ontario N0G 2R0

Attention: Jennifer White, Clerk, via email

Dear Ms. White:

Re: Proposed Updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan

This letter is to advise you that the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley (ABMV) Source Protection Region is undertaking amendments to the Source Protection Plan to include new and revised wellhead protection areas (WHPA) for the Century Heights and Lucknow drinking water systems. There are no proposed policy changes to the Source Protection Plan policies. Please see enclosed Notice of pre-consultation, including maps of proposed new WHPAs.

Under section 34(3) of the Clean Water Act, 2006, a municipal council resolution endorsing the proposed updates to the Source Protection Plan is required from affected municipalities prior to public consultation.

A required 35-day public consultation period will commence once municipal endorsement is received. The proposed updates will be posted on our webpage (sourcewaterinfo.on.ca), including revised maps for the affected areas. Property owners that may be impacted by the amendments will be sent the notice of consultation.

Following the public consultation period the ABMV Source Protection Region will submit the proposed updates to the Source Protection Plan to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for their approval.

Summary of Proposed Updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan (SPP):

1. Revisions to chapter 4 of the Maitland Valley Assessment Report to reflect the changes to the Century Heights and Lucknow drinking water systems
2. Revision to the Century Heights Wellhead Protection Area to include new municipal well #3 in the community of Saltford, Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh
3. Revision of the Lucknow Wellhead Protection Area to reflect increased Permit to Take Water for the Lucknow drinking water system in the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Note that the technical work to update the Century Heights and Lucknow wellhead protection areas was completed by Matrix Solutions Inc., with project coordination by B.M. Ross and Associates.

Suggested Resolution:

Again, the Clean Water Act requires that the Source Protection Region receive municipal endorsement of the proposed changes before it can initiate public consultation. For the municipality's convenience the following resolution is suggested

The Council of The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss, at the regular meeting held [insert date] considered correspondence regarding Notice of Pre-Consultation – Proposed Updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan and the following resolution was passed:

THAT pursuant to Section 34(3) of the Clean Water Act, 2006, the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss endorses the proposed updates to the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan.

Provision of this resolution meets requirements of Section 34(3) of the Clean Water Act, 2006.

If you have any questions about the proposed amendments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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