

Staff Report

Report Title: NWMO Site Selection April 2022 Status Update

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**Department: CAO** 

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Attachments: Early Investment in Education and Skills Brochure Huron-Kinloss EIES 2021 Guidelines February 17 Monthly NWMO Project Study Meeting Notes

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CAO-2022-04-12, prepared by Elyse Dewar, Project Coordinator.

#### **Background:**

Although lands in Huron-Kinloss are not being considered for the potential repository site, the NWMO acknowledges that Huron-Kinloss directly abuts South Bruce and will be impacted by the DGR if South Bruce becomes the chosen community.

Huron-Kinloss is committed to carrying out its due diligence on the DGR project to determine how its municipality, residents, farms, tourists and businesses will be best protected and served in determining whether Huron-Kinloss can support the DGR as neighbouring community.

We are working with the South Bruce Nuclear Exploration Team on current Project Studies related to the NWMO Project the effects it could have on regional communities.

#### Discussion:

# NMWO Borehole Site Tours

On March 16, the Deputy Mayor and Project Coordinator attended a tour of Borehole 1 Site on Concession 8 in South Bruce. The tour consisted of a visit around the extraction site, the process to on how they extract the rock and different samples of the rock formations found below Borehole 1 Site.

Borehole Site Tours take place every Wednesday. If there is an interest from Council to join a tour, please email the Project Coordinator at <u>edewar@huronkinloss.com</u>

#### Increase to Early Investment in Education and Skills Program

The NWMO have increased the Early Investment in Education and Skills funding by \$25,000 in addition to the existing \$30,000 already allocated for Huron-Kinloss. In total Huron-Kinloss will receive payments of \$55,000 in 2022 and again in 2023. The same rules and conditions apply without change.

The NWMO Early Investment in Education and Skills Program brochure and the Huron-Kinloss Early Investment in Education and Skills Program Guidelines are attached to this report.

### South Bruce CLC Meeting

The next <u>South Bruce Community Liaison Committee</u> meeting is Thursday, April 7, 2020 beginning at 7pm via Zoom. Details can be found on the <u>South Bruce website</u>.

Fred Kuntz, Senior Manager, Corporate Relations and Projects at Ontario Power Generation will be presenting on Nuclear Sustainability and Good Stewardship.

#### Project Study Meeting Notes

Monthly Regional Project Study meeting continue with NWMO, Huron-Kinloss, South Bruce, Brockton and North Huron. The group met on March 24 for Workforce Overview Discussions and the Labour and Housing Recommendations Report.

The February 17, 2022, Project Study Meeting Notes are attached to this report.

#### NWMO 2021 Annual Report

The NWMO has released it's <u>2021 Annual Report</u> as well as the NWMO <u>Implementing Adaptive Phased Management 2022-2026 Report</u>.

#### HK Agricultural Business Impact Study Questionnaire

Huron-Kinloss sent out 85 Agricultural Business Impact Study Questionnaires. We received back 6 completed questionnaires, which were shared with South Bruce and MDB Insight, consultants for NWMO.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

None.

# Strategic Alignment / Link:

The information provided in this report is consistent with and in keeping with the Municipality's Vision & Mission. The recommendations contribute to the goals in

achieving a prosperous community and an accessible community. Projects in this report assist staff in achieving the following projects in the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan Action Plan: P2.4 Continue to learn about the NWMO DGR Project.

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Elyse Dewar, Project Coordinator

# Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer