



Staff Report

Report Title: NWMO Site Selection May 2022 Update

Prepared By: Elyse Dewar, Project Coordinator

Department: CAO

Date: Apr. 28, 2022

Report Number: CAO-2022-05-15

File Number: 100-NWMO

Attachments:

March 24 NWMO Project Study Meeting Notes

SBCLC May Meeting Flyer

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CAO-2022-05-15, 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:

Regional Project Studies

Monthly Regional Project Study meeting continue with NWMO, Huron-Kinloss, South Bruce, Brockton and North Huron. The group met on April 14 for the Workforce Recommendations Report and discussions.

Prior to the completion and delivery of the South Bruce and NWMO-led studies, an overview of key information that applies in many of the project study reports will be given to the SBCLC.

For the month of May, the following presentations will be shared:

[May 5 - Baseline Conditions and Community Growth Targets](#) (meeting details linked here).

This presentation will include information such as current demographics, defining the regional, local and core study areas, baseline growth expectations for South Bruce and the study areas, basic Project parameters and phases, and Project growth targets will be shared. This data informs most of the studies that will be shared over the next two years.

May 19 – Project Workforce and Development

This presentation will include the Labour Baseline Study, Workforce Development Study and Local Hiring Effects Study and Strategy. Some of the presentation's highlights will include project labour demands, such as skilled trades and mining, indirect and induced employment demands, existing business demands, potential purpose, and functions of the Center of Expertise.

These virtual meetings begin at 7pm.

The March 2022 Regional Project Study Meeting Notes are attached to this report for review.

Ag Business Impact Study Questionnaire

Staff met with South Bruce and their consultants Deloitte, for a summary of the engagement of the Ag Business Impact Study Questionnaire report.

Huron-Kinloss circulated 84 questionnaires to residents within a 5km radius of the proposed NWMO DGR site and 8 questionnaires returned. South Bruce circulated about 110 questionnaires and received back 17.

Key findings of this questionnaire and the Agriculture Project Study will be made available Huron-Kinloss Council in the fall.

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