



Halton-Hamilton  
Source  
Protection  
Region

# MINUTES

## HALTON-HAMILTON SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING # 1-16

Conservation Halton Administration Office, Burlington  
March 22, 2016 2:00 pm to 4:50 pm

<b>SPC Attendees:</b>			
<b>Bob Edmondson</b>	<b>Nick DiGirolamo</b>	<b>Daisy Radigan</b>	<b>Bert Posedowski</b>
<b>Adam Gilmore</b>	<b>Gavin Smuk</b>	<b>Glenn Powell</b>	<b>David Rodgers</b>
<b>Regrets SPC/Other Regrets:</b>			
<b>Michael Barton</b>	<b>Dave Braden</b>	<b>Andrea Doherty</b>	<b>Turlough Finan</b>
<b>Judi Partridge</b>			
<b>Other Attendees:</b>			
<b>Scott Peck, HCA</b>	<b>Beth Forrest, MOECC Liaison</b>	<b>Tony Colaco, Health Liaison</b>	
<b>Kathy Menyes, CH (2:19 pm)</b>	<b>Carmen Vega, City of Hamilton</b>	<b>Jean Williams, CH</b>	
<b>Lisa De Angelis, Region of Halton</b>	<b>Diane Bloomfield, HHSPR</b>	<b>Jenn Simons</b>	



ITEM	TOPIC/DISCUSSION	ACTION REQUIRED
	<p>International Development Week at Humber College and provided a summary – focus of panel discussion was water quantity, however, Glenn pointed out at the session that the water conserved must be clean</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2016/17 budget will include funding to complete the Tier 3 study of the new Hamilton back-up well and water quality WHPA delineation of the existing Greensville municipal well using the Tier 3 model. Diane is discussing with the City the delineation of WHPAs for the back-up well. The modelling of Lake Ontario threats has again been denied.</li> <li>• Source protection is expanding to First Nations communities with a proposed pilot study in Matawa First Nations communities in 2016/17. A committee of federal/provincial/Chiefs of Ontario is proposed to consider water issues of First Nations including infrastructure and source protection.</li> <li>• EBR #012-6904 - Large building annual energy and water use reporting and GHG emissions benchmarking – commenting period until April 10, 2016 – water consumption reporting</li> <li>• Water Quality in Ontario 2014 Report released</li> </ul>	<p><b>Diane to send out Water Quality in Ontario 2014 Report</b></p>
7.	<p><b>Implementation Preparation - City of Hamilton- Carmen Vega, PDF attached</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the City of Hamilton formally appointed the Risk Management Official (RMO) and Risk Management Inspectors (RMIs) and set up the Risk Management Office on December 15, 2015</li> <li>• Implementation includes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Training of City staff (January 2016)</li> <li>- Mail out to property owners in all WHPA on new screening process (Feb-March)</li> <li>- Screening of development applications (April-May)</li> <li>- Field verification of threats and negotiation of risk management plans (June-Dec)</li> <li>- Further E&amp;O, inspections &amp; stewardship projects (2017-18)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Future Threats <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- April 1, 2016 screening of development applications and training of 56 building and planning staff commences</li> <li>- Rural Official Plan Amendments included source protection policies</li> <li>- Woodward Ave Spill Prevention and Emergency Response Plans have been updated to include IPZs</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Other activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prepare Annual Reports – 1st RMO report submitted (Feb 2016)</li> <li>- Prepare Council communication</li> <li>- New SPC municipal representative</li> <li>- Information up-date</li> <li>- Develop an internal source protection database and web-interface</li> <li>- Conduct Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Studies that include source protection planning for two new potential wells in Lynden and Greensville</li> <li>- On-going participation in source protection committees and working groups</li> <li>- Looking into incentives for septic inspection program, however, nothing taken to Council yet</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	




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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• one commercial/industrial representative</li> <li>- Environmental/health/general public sector</li> <li>• one environmental representative</li> <li>• two general public/health</li> <li>• Terms of appointments for municipal representatives will align with the election cycle</li> <li>• Existing member terms expiry are staggered between 2017 and 2019 and</li> <li>• New non-municipal representatives will have terms of 5 years</li> <li>• Three SPC meetings are planned for 2016/17 – technical work</li> <li>• There will be a standing meeting in late February once Authority annual reports are due because they must be given to the SPC 30 days in advance</li> </ul>	
12.	<p><b>MOECC Proposed Short-term Technical Program Changes – Diane Bloomfield</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The proposed changes to the Technical Rules for Assessment Reports and Tables of Drinking Water Threats were discussed for submission by Diane to MOECC</li> <li>• The proposed changes may impact mapping, document text and policies</li> <li>• In general the changes are to add definitions, to clarify intent, to add new study methodologies, to add new threats, etc.</li> </ul>	
13.	<p><b>Final Policy Comparison – Diane Bloomfield</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed whether management or prohibition were used and which policy tools for each of the water quality threat activities by Halton-Hamilton, CTC, Lake Erie-Hamilton, and Lake Erie-Halton</li> <li>• Differences primarily due to whether existing threat activities are on-going and what activities are planned within the WHPA</li> <li>• The Evaluation Matrix included in the Explanatory Document should be reviewed and updated during the plan review for when consistency was considered</li> </ul>	<p><b>Evaluation Matrix review to be included in plan review</b></p>
14.	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting will likely be held in September 2016 and a notice will be sent out.</li> </ul>	

Minutes prepared by: Jenn Simons



## **SPC Meeting – March 22, 2016**



Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee  
Diane Bloomfield, Project Manager

# New Member Appointments

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Source Protection Authorities appointed interim SPC members at their meetings held January 28 and February 4:

- Representing Regions of Halton and Peel, Cities of Burlington and Mississauga, Towns of Milton, Oakville, Halton Hills
  - Adam Gilmore - Supervisor, Municipal Water Resources Planning, Halton Region RMO
  - Dan Tovey, Manager of Policy Planning, Legislative and Planning Services Department, Halton Region – not joining SPC
- Representing Township of Puslinch and County of Wellington
  - Dr. David Rodgers - Aberfoyle AquaScience
- Reappointments of Dave Braden and Glenn Powell

# Source Protection Region News

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- Water. A Right or a Resource? – Humber College, Feb 4 - Glenn Powell
- All RMOs will soon be in place
  - Puslinch – Kyle Davis
  - Halton Region – Adam Gilmore
  - Hamilton – Carmen Vega
  - Peel Region – Mark Schiller
  - Niagara Region – Jen Croswell
- Greensville Municipal Well Field
  - Tier 3 – funding to be included in 2016/17 budget for modelling the water budget and risk assessment for the new back-up well(s)
  - Water quality WHPAs – funding to be included in 2016/17 budget for the redelineation of the WHPAs for the existing well using the Tier 3 model. Discussing the modelling of the WHPAs for the new well(s) with the City.
- Event-based modelling along Lake Ontario shoreline – not funded in 2016/17



# Source Protection Region News

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- Source Protection for First Nations – 2016/17 proposed planning year with one pilot study for a few communities of the Matawa First Nations in northern Ontario. A Tri-Lateral committee (comprised of federal and provincial governments and the Chiefs of Ontario (COO)) is proposed to be established, to consider many of the water issues faced by First Nations including infrastructure and source water protection.
  - 83 advisories in effect (boil water or do not consume) at 44 communities (Jan 31/16)
  - There are some First Nations SPC members
- Large building annual energy and water use reporting and GHG emissions benchmarking
  - EBR #012-6904 – comments until April 10, 2016
  - Ministry of Energy proposal to change the Green Energy Act
  - Water consumption reporting for commercial, multi-unit residential and some industrial buildings 50,000 sq ft and greater
    - Manufacturing facilities and all agricultural facilities are not included

# Source Protection Region News

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- Water Quality in Ontario 2014 Report
  - Released March 18, 2016
  - Overview of provincial monitoring programs and their findings on Great Lakes, inland lakes, streams and groundwater
  - Many references to study reports

# 2015 Annual Reports

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THAT the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee **receives for information the 2015 Annual Reports submitted by**

- **Township of Puslinch Risk Management Official – Kyle Davis**
- **County of Wellington – Gary Cousins**
- **Halton Region Risk Management Official – Jon Clark**
- **City of Hamilton Risk Management Official – Carmen Ches**
- **Region of Peel Risk Management Official – Mark Schiller**
- **Niagara Region Risk Management Official – Deanna Barrow**

Also received MOECC responses to plan monitoring policies, however, not applicable to Halton-Hamilton in 2015.

# Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund

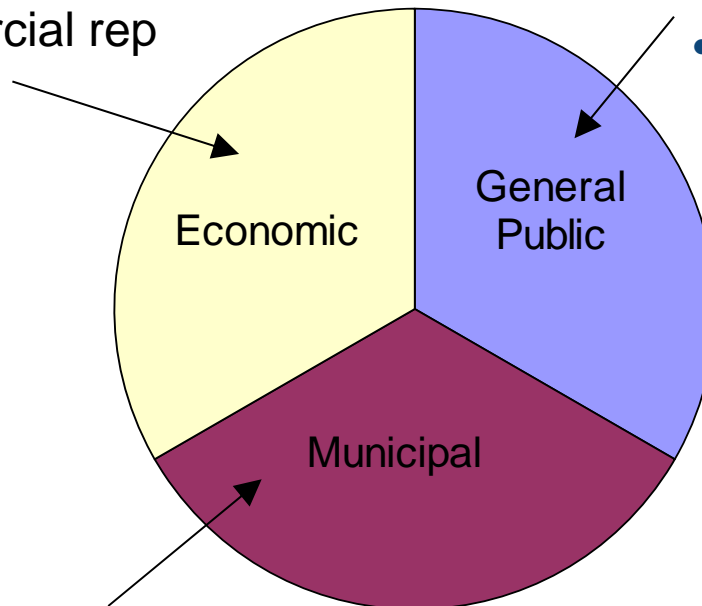
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- SPMIF
- additional flexibility of eligible activities and timelines
- extended the SPMIF program for an additional year – March 5, 2017
- provided the option for the purchase/production of municipal road signage to identify vulnerable areas
- allowed for the establishment of mandatory septic re-inspection programs in vulnerable areas where drinking water threats could be significant

# SPC Size and Composition

## 9 Members plus Chair

- 2 agricultural reps
- 1 industrial/commercial rep



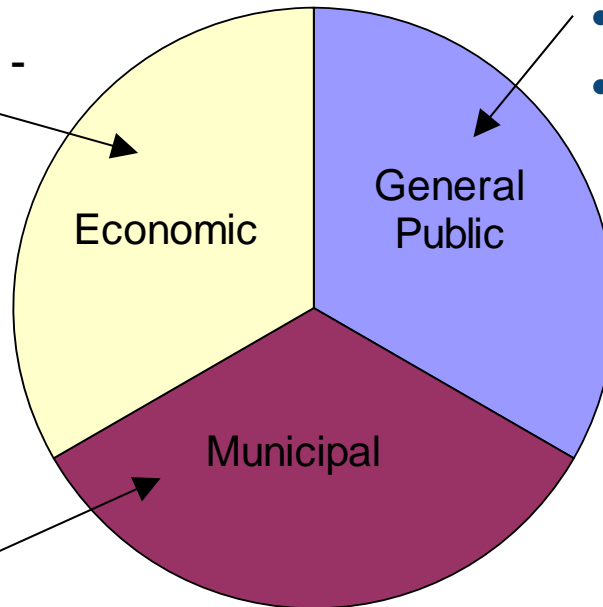
- 1 environmental rep
- 2 health / general public reps

- 1 Hamilton/Grimsby/Niagara Region rep
- 1 Regions of Halton and Peel, Cities of Burlington and Mississauga, Towns of Milton, Oakville, Halton Hills
- 1 Puslinch/Wellington County

# SPC Member Turnover

## 9 Members plus Chair

- Gavin Smuk - 2019
- Nick DiGirolamo - 2017
- industrial/commercial rep - 2021



- Dave Braden – 2018
- Glenn Powell – 2018
- Turlough Finan - 2019

- Hamilton Group
- Halton Group
- Dave Rodgers – awaiting Minister decision

All municipal rep terms will align with municipal election cycle – January 2019

# SPC Business

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- 2016/17 – 3 SPC meetings
- Standing meeting late February to bring source protection authorities' annual report
  - Must come to SPC 30 days prior to taking it to source protection authorities for submission to MOECC
  - First annual report due May 1, 2018
- Meetings this year will be primarily about Greensville technical work, City of Guelph Tier 3 study and annual reporting
- November 2018 – work plan is due for review and updating of the Plan

# Program Technical Framework Review

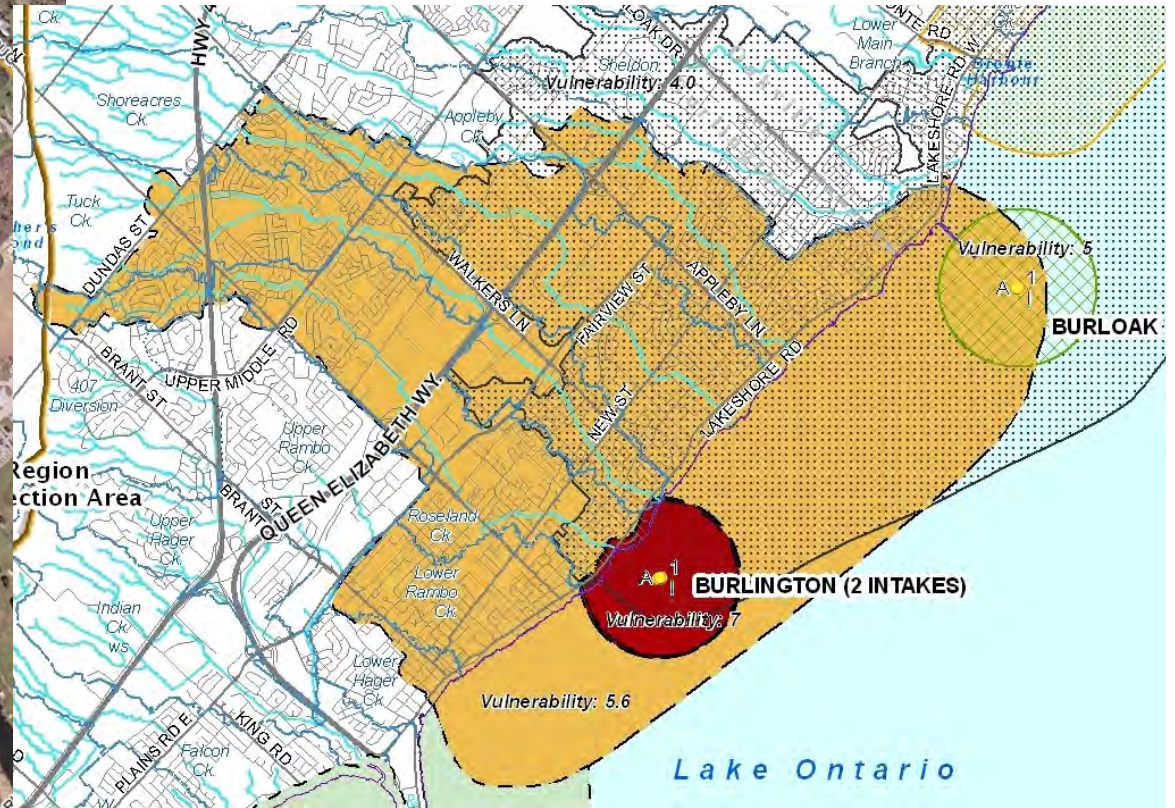
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- Provincial level
- Based on feedback received since program began
- Looking at Technical Rules for Assessment Reports and Tables of Drinking Water Threats
- Based on level of effort, classifying changes into
  - short terms: quick fixes that would unlikely result in big changes to AR's conclusion
  - long terms: big changes that may trigger an update of ARs
- Two spreadsheets released by MOECC for comment
  - “to address recommendations that do not require significant review/research of the science behind the technical framework”



WHPA-E Carlisle

# High Water Mark



IPZ-1

# Road Salt Areas



**Figure 12**  
**Current**  
**Road Salt Application Policy Area**  
**Halton Area WHPA and ICA**

**Legend**

- Source Protection Area
- Upper Tier Municipality
- Lower Tier Municipality
- Niagara Escarpment

**Roads**

- Highway
- Regional

Road Salt Application Policy - Current

For policies that apply in areas that have low, moderate, or significant risk

Current - Based on existing imperviousness densities

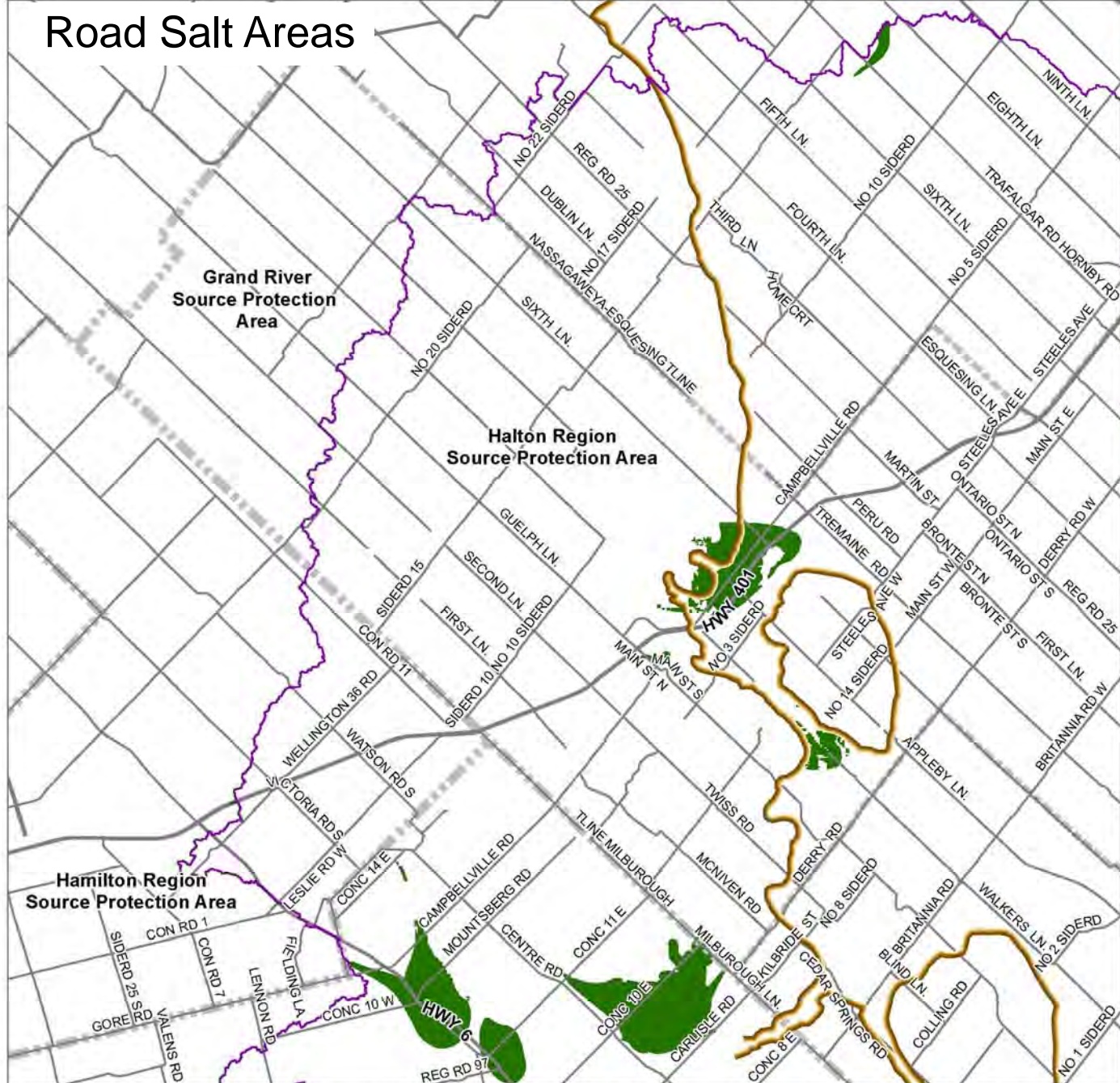
WHPA: Wellhead Protection Area  
 ICA: Issue Contributing Area

Source: Ministry of Natural Resources, SOLRIS (2000), and Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Property Information (2007)

Projection: UTM NAD 83 Zone 17

Date: October 2014

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# Source Vulnerability Factor for Intakes

Vulnerability scores = area vulnerability factor x source vulnerability factor

## Classification of intakes

Subject to rule 55.1, a surface water intake associated with a type I, II or III system shall be classified as a,

(1) type A intake if the intake or the planned intake is or would be located in a Great Lake;

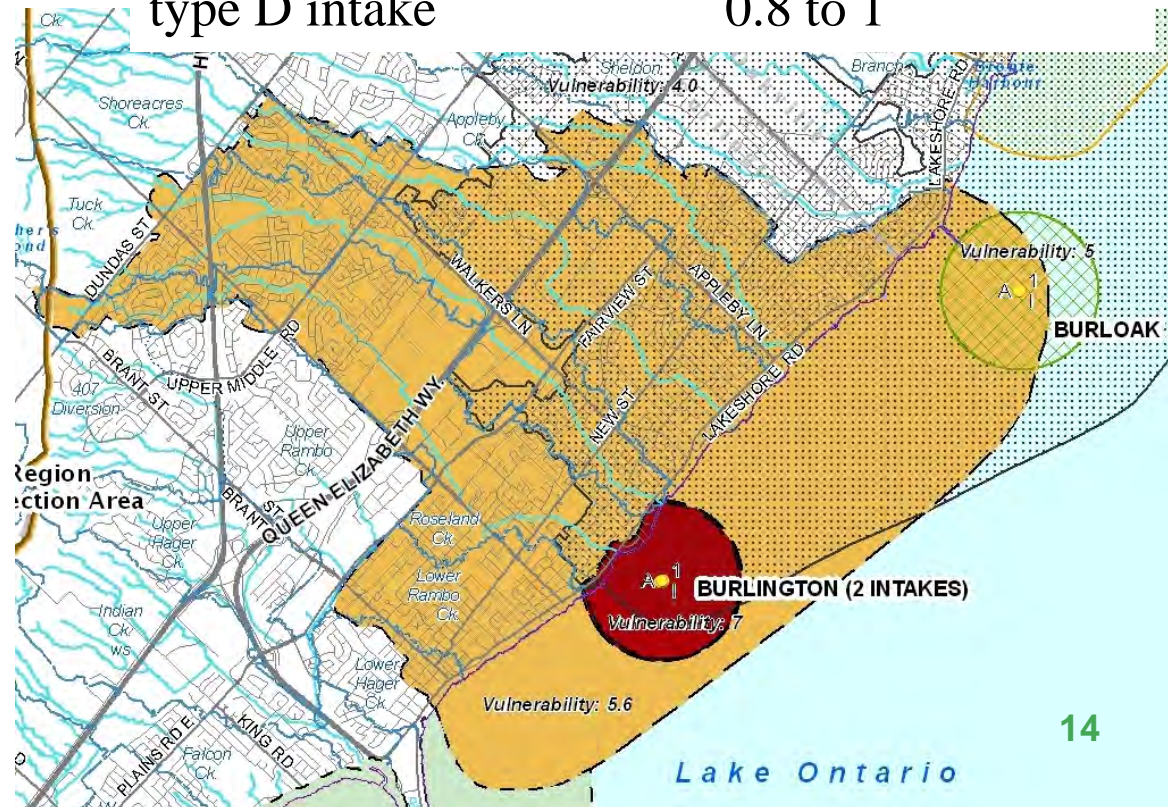
(2) type B intake if the intake or the planned intake is or would be located in a connecting channel;

(3) type C intake if the intake or the planned intake is or would be located in a river and neither the direction nor velocity of the flow of the water at the intake is affected by a water impoundment structure; or

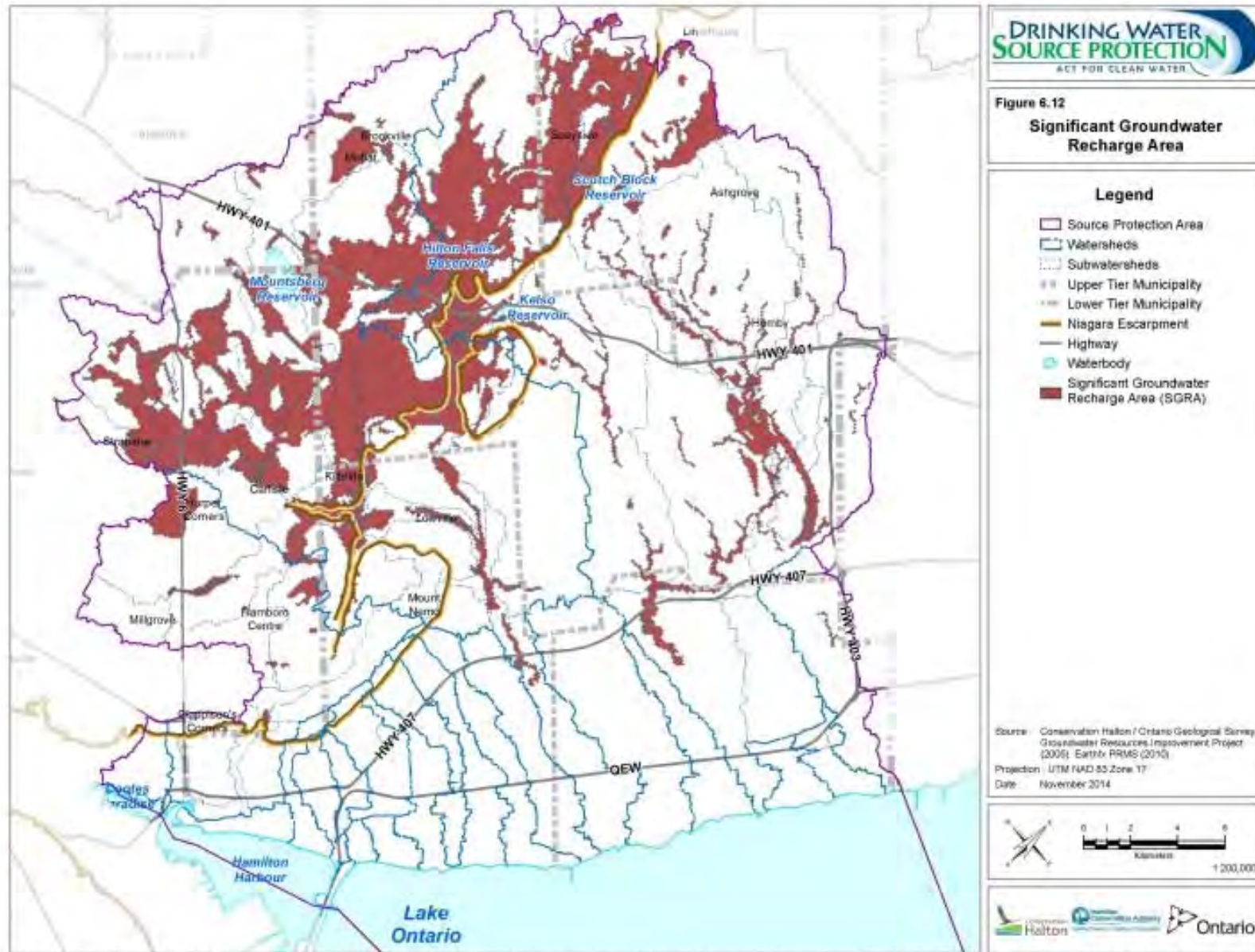
(4) type D intake if the intake is not described in subrule (1), (2) or (3).

**Table 3 – Source Vulnerability Factors**

<u>Intake Type</u>	<u>Source Vulnerability Factor</u>
type A intake	0.5 to 0.7
type B intake	0.7 to 0.9
type C intake	0.9 or 1
type D intake	0.8 to 1



# Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas



# Change septic system to onsite sewage system

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In the Building Code a sewage system means,

(a) a chemical toilet, an incinerating toilet, a recirculating toilet, a self-contained portable toilet and all forms of privy including a portable privy, an earth pit privy, a pail privy, a privy vault and a composting toilet system,

(b) a greywater system,

(c) a cesspool,

(d) a leaching bed system, or

(e) a system that requires or uses a holding tank for the retention of hauled sewage at the site where it is produced before its collection by a hauled sewage system,

where these,

(f) have a design capacity of 10,000 litres per day or less,

(g) have, in total, a design capacity of 10,000 litres per day or less, where more than one of these are located on a lot or parcel of land, and

(h) are located wholly within the boundaries of the lot or parcel of land on which is located the building or buildings they serve.

The establishment, operation or maintenance of a system that collects, stores, transmits, treats or disposes of sewage

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#### Sewage System Or Sewage Works - Septic System - Reference # 695

1. The system is an earth pit privy, privy vault, greywater system, cesspool, or a leaching bed system and its associated treatment unit.
2. The system is subject to the *Ontario Building Code Act, 1992*.
3. The discharge from the system may result in the presence of Acetone in groundwater or surface water.

#### Sewage System Or Sewage Works - Septic System Holding Tank - Reference # 707

1. The system requires or uses a holding tank for the retention of hauled sewage at the site where it is produced before its collection by a hauled sewage system.
2. The system is subject to the *Ontario Building Code Act, 1992*.
3. A spill from the holding tank may result in the presence of Acetone to land or water

# Source Protection Implementation City of Hamilton

**Carmen Vega**

Senior Project Manager, Hamilton Water

**Source Protection Committee Meeting**

**Tuesday March 22nd, 2016**

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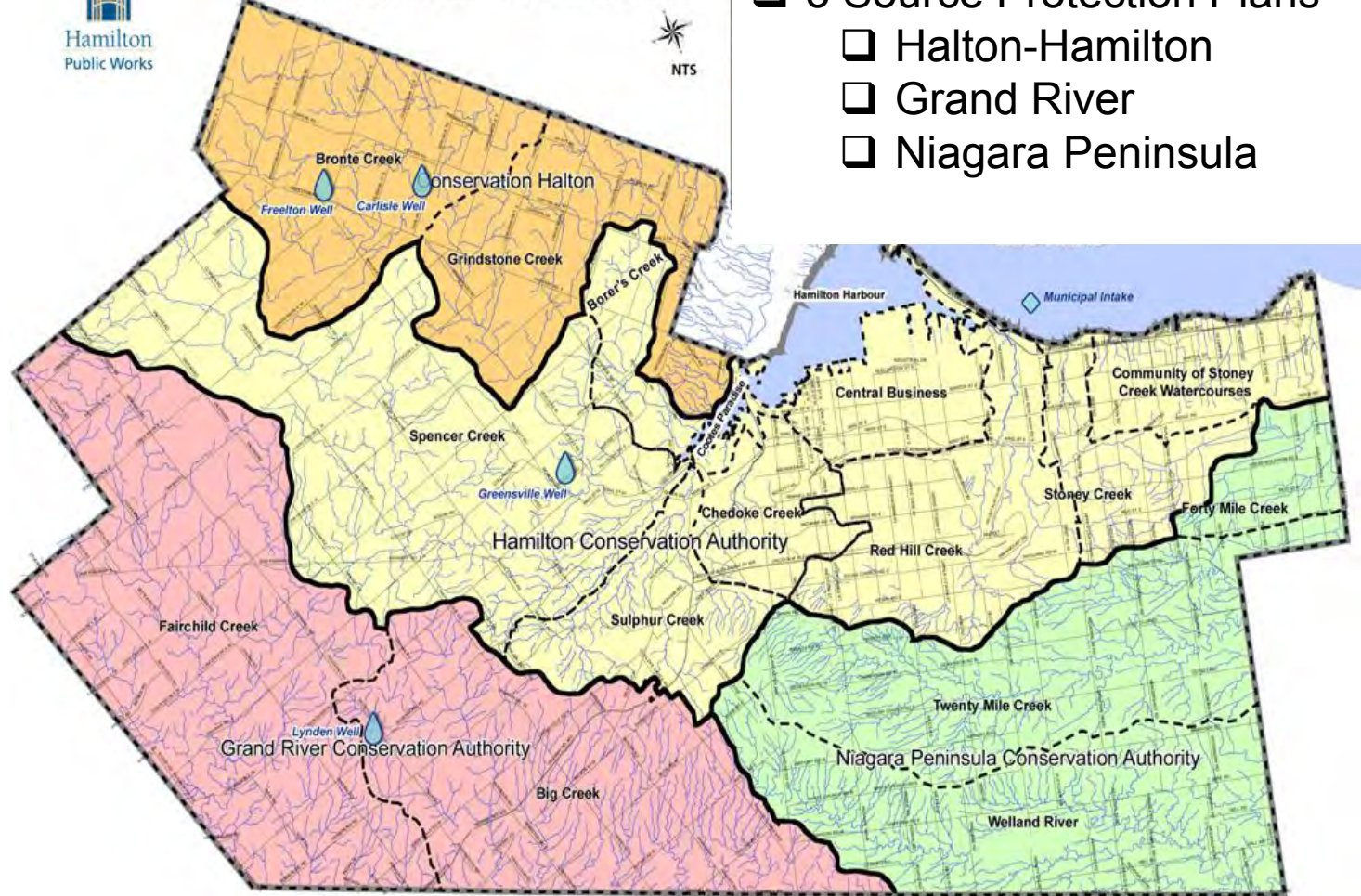
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The City of Hamilton Watersheds



- 4 Watersheds
- 3 Source Protection Plans
  - Halton-Hamilton
  - Grand River
  - Niagara Peninsula



# Risk Management Office

- ❑ On December 15, 2015, the City of Hamilton formally appointed the Risk Management Official (RMO) and Risk Management Inspectors (RMIs) and set up the Risk Management Office
  - ❑ **Carmen Vega – RMO**
  - ❑ **Marco Silverio – RMI and RMO (alternate)**
  - ❑ **Martha Kariuki - RMI**
  
- ❑ The Risk Management Office will implement Source Protection Plan policies using a variety of tools



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# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

Threat	Number of Activities
Sewage System – Residential Septic Systems	81
Handling and Storage of Fuel	9
Pesticide Application	7
Commercial Fertilizer - Storage	1
Land associated with livestock	5
Agricultural Source Material (ASM) – Application	6
Agricultural Source Material (ASM) – Storage	1
Non-Agricultural Source Material (NASM) - Application	4
Handling and Storage of Dense Non Aqueous Phase Liquids (DNAPL)	1
<b>Total Number of Activities</b>	<b>118</b>
<b>Total Number of Properties</b>	<b>91</b>



# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- ❑ Septic Systems – highest number
- ❑ Total number of activities – **81**
  - ❑ Policy tools: OBC requirements, E&O, Incentives

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Working with Building Division to send out requests for septic system inspections by private installers

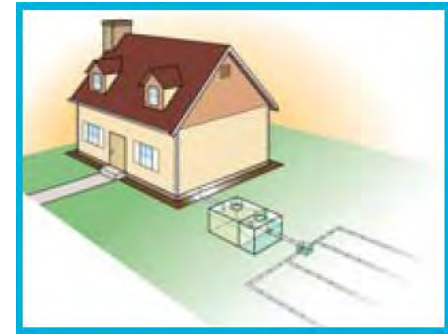
**MARCH-APRIL 2016**

6 month compliance timeframe for inspections

**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

**SEPTIC SOCIAL EVENTS – FALL 2016**

Follow-up on the inspections reports  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**



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# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- ❑ Storage & Handling of Fuel Threat
- ❑ Total number of potential occurrences – 9
  - ❑ Policy Tool: E&O

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Notification letter to schedule visits with outreach material  
**APRIL-MAY 2016**

Voluntary visits with E&O  
**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

Follow-up on based on response.  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**



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# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- ❑ Pesticide Application & Fertilizer Storage Threat
- ❑ Total number of potential activities – 8
  - ❑ Policy Tool: RMP, E&O, Incentives

Notification letter to schedule site visits

**APRIL-MAY 2016**

Site visit to confirm the threat and begin negotiations of RMPs

**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

Follow-up based on response.  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**



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# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- ❑ Land associated with livestock threat
- ❑ Total number of potential activities – 5
  - ❑ Policy Tools: NMA, RMP, Compliance Inspections

Notification letter to schedule site visit

**APRIL-MAY 2016**

Site visit to confirm the threat and initiate negotiation of RMPs

**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

Follow-up based on response.  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**



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# Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- ❑ ASM & NASM – Threat
- ❑ Total number of activities – **11**
  - ❑ Policy Tools: NMA, RMP, Compliance Inspections, E&O, Incentives

Notification letter to schedule site visit

**APRIL-MAY 2016**

Site visit and negotiations of RMPs

**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

Follow-up based on response.  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**



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## Existing Drinking Water Threats in Hamilton

- Handling and Storage of (DNAPL) Threat
- Total number of activities – 1
  - Policy Tools: RMP, E&O

Notification letter to schedule site visit

**APRIL-MAY 2016**

Site visit to confirm threat and negotiate RMP

**MAY – NOVEMBER 2016**

Follow-up based on response.  
**DECEMBER – FEBRUARY 2017**





## Other Threats

- ❑ Road Salt & Storage of Snow
  - ❑ Policy Tools: E&O

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Policies communicated with the  
Roads Operation group

**DECEMBER 2015**

Update City of Hamilton's Salt  
Management Plan to include  
BMP

**2016**

Work with Roads Operation to  
educate contractors on BMP

**2017**



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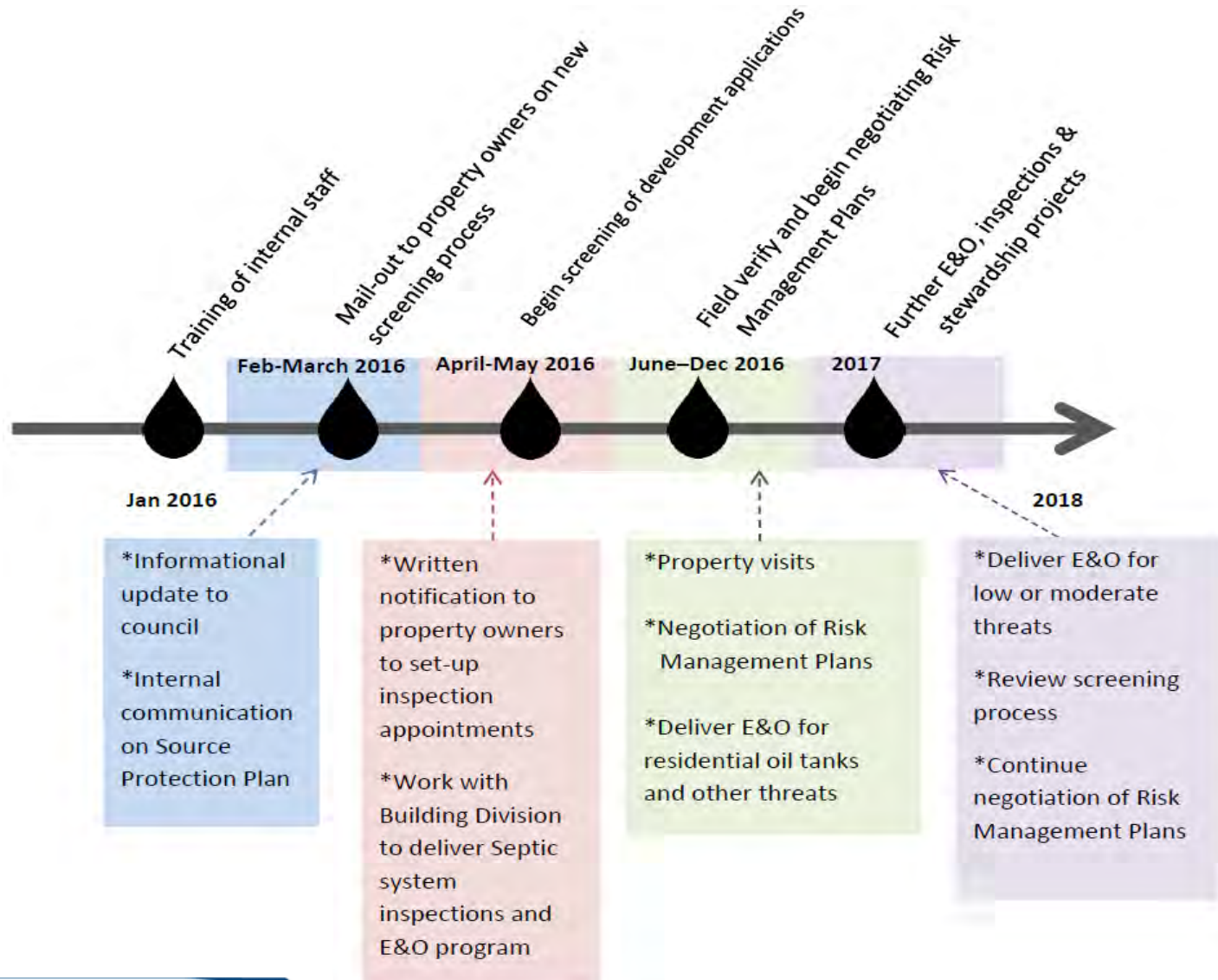
# City of Hamilton Actions in Source Protection



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# Future Threats and other policies

- ❑ Restricted Land Use – Section 59
  - ❑ Screening of development applications
  - ❑ Training of 56 building & planning staff
  - ❑ Information package to ~ 900 property owners
  - ❑ Begins April 1<sup>st</sup> 2016

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March 21, 2016

Restricted Land Use Notice  
 Risk Management Plan agreed to or established  
 Issued under the *Clean Water Act*, Section 59 (2) (b)

Letter Number: HAM-559-16-001	
Description and Date of Application / Supporting Documents:	
Applicant Name:	
Telephone:	Email address:
Property Address:	Town:
Province:	Postal Code:
Source Protection Plan:	Drinking Water System:
WHPA:	Vulnerability Score:

Property Owner:		
Mailing Address:		
Municipality:	Province:	Postal Code:
Phone:	Alt. Phone:	Email:



# Future Threats and other policies



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## Rural Official Plan Amendment

- Source Protection Plan policies included in the amendment (July 2015)
- Amended plan under appeal at OMB



## Spill prevention & Emergency response plans

- Woodward Avenue plans updated to include IPZs



## Other Activities

- Prepare Annual Reports – 1<sup>st</sup> report submitted (Feb 2016)
- Prepare Council communication
  - New SPC municipal representative
  - Information up-date
- Develop an internal Source Protection database & web-interface
- Conduct Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Studies
  - Two new potential wells in Lynden and Greenville
- On-going participation in Source Protection committees and working groups



## Public Works HAMILTON WATER



# Questions

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