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RE: Source Protection Plan Public Consultation, Section 34 Amendments

Deadline for Comments: January 23, 2026

Send comments to: <u>Madison.Keegans@ConservationSudbury.ca</u>

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On behalf of the Sudbury Source Protection Committee, we are providing the proposed amendments to the Assessment Report and Source Protection Plan for the Sudbury Source Protection Area. The proposed updates were initiated by the Source Protection Authority under Section 34 of the *Clean Water Act, 2006*. These proposed updates are being provided as part of the public consultation period required by Regulation 287/07 of the Act.

Source Protection staff have been leading comprehensive updates, working closely with the Committee, municipalities, and provincial ministries. The proposed amendments include updates to technical studies and policy changes to align with the 2021 Technical Rules under the Act.

Please see below for a summary of the proposed amendments. Comments received as part of the public consultation process will be reviewed by the Source Protection staff and the Committee.

Clean and tracked-changes versions of the proposed amended documents are available on our website at: <a href="https://bit.ly/4aGhpsp">https://bit.ly/4aGhpsp</a>.

The following provides a summary of the proposed amendments.

Proposed Update	Description
	The Tier 3 Water Budget and Water Quantity Risk Assessment was updated to
	incorporate new information. The Assessment Report and Source Protection
	Plan were amended to reflect the results of the updated risk assessment
Valley East Water Quantity	including:
Maps & Policies	<ul> <li>Update to Map 6.5 Valley Drinking Water System WHPA Q-1 and Local Areas –Tier 3</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Addition of Map 6.5.1 Valley Drinking Water System WHPA Q-2 and Local Areas – Tier 3</li> </ul>

	Update to Map 6.6 Valley Significant Groundwater Recharge Area – Tier 3
Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 3 Delineation	The delineation of the Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 3 was updated to incorporate transport pathways, and new and future development areas. The following maps in the Assessment Report and Source Protection Plan were updated to reflect the change in delineation:  • Map 3.6 Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zone 1 & 2  • Map 3.7 Ramsey Lake Intake Protection Zones  • Map 3.8 Ramsey Lake Managed Lands  • Map 3.9 Ramsey Lake Impervious Surfaces  • Map 3.10 Ramsey Lake Livestock Density  • Map 3.11 Ramsey Lake Issue Contributing Area
Salt and Snow Policies	The salt and snow policies were updated to incorporate changes to the Technical Rules. Thresholds for salt storage were updated accordingly. The following policies were amended or added:  Sa1EF-EO – education and outreach  Sa3EF-RMP – risk management plan for existing salt application/storage  Sa4E-RMP – risk management plan for existing salt storage  Sa5F-s57 – prohibition for future salt storage  Addition of Sa7F-s57 – prohibition for future salt storage (Ramsey)  Addition of policy Sa8EF-RMP – risk management plan for snow storage
Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids Policies	Updates to policies for the handling and storage for Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquids to align with the Technical Rules.  Policy DO1E-RMP – risk management plan Policy DO2F-S57 – prohibition A third policy was added to address the existing and future DNAPL threats in the Intake Protection Zone 2 and 3 for Ramsey Lake. Policy DO3EF-RMP – risk management plan (IPZ-2 and IPZ-3)
Fuel Policies	<ul> <li>Circumstances for the handling and storage of fuel were updated in the 2021 Technical Rules.</li> <li>Policy F5EF-RMP was added to manage existing and future home heating oil threats in the Intake Protection Zone 1 and Wellhead Protection Areas A and B.</li> <li>Policy F6EF-EO – correspondence to fuel distributors</li> <li>Policy F7EF-SA – encourage fuel distributors to consider vulnerable areas</li> </ul>
Transition Provision Policy	The Transition Provision policy was updated to account for future amendments to the source protection plan and to clarify the definitions of existing and future threats.
Impervious Surfaces	<ul> <li>Impervious surfaces for each drinking water system were re-evaluated following the thresholds in the 2021 Technical Rules.</li> <li>Updated maps are included in the Assessment Report outlining the results of the evaluation.</li> </ul>

To provide the Committee with enough time to review and consider feedback before final approval of the proposed updates please provide any comments by **January 23, 2026**. Comments and questions may be directed to:

**Sudbury Source Protection Committee** 

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Thank you for your assistance on this matter and for your continued support of the Drinking Water Source Protection Program. If you require additional information or would like to discuss any of the items included in this notice in more detail, please contact the undersigned at Madison.Keegans@ConservationSudbury.ca or at 705-674-5249 x. 210.

Sincerely,

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