

# Cataraqui Source Protection Plan – Quick Facts for Municipalities November 2014

## **Source Protection Plan - Approval**

The Cataraqui Source Protection Plan is now approved. It becomes effective on **April 1, 2015**. There are implementation responsibilities and recommendations for municipalities, provincial ministries, the source protection authority and others.

### Where does the plan apply?

- Highly vulnerable aquifers and significant groundwater recharge areas that make up more than 90 percent of the Cataraqui Source Protection Area.
- 2. Three wellhead protection areas around municipal wells:
  - Cana Subdivision Kingston Mills
  - Lansdowne
  - Miller Manor Mallorytown
- 3. Nine intake protection zones around municipal intakes
  - A.L. Dafoe (Napanee)
  - Sandhurst Shores
  - Bath
  - Fairfield (Amherstview)
  - Kingston West and Central
  - James W. King (Gananoque)
  - Brockville
  - Sydenham

### What will the plan mean for municipalities?

Municipalities are the implementing body for policies in the plan including:

- Risk Management
- Land use planning and related reporting
- Operations
- On-site sewage systems
- Research

In areas where it has been demonstrated that the drinking water is more vulnerable (**bold** areas to the left), municipalities must <u>comply with</u> the policies in the source protection plan.

In areas that are less vulnerable, *Planning Act* and *Condominium Act* decisions must <u>have regard for</u> policies in the plan.

All other policies in the plan are well-informed recommendations for consideration by municipalities.

The timeline for policy implementation varies from immediately to up to 10 years after plan approval for research-related work.

#### Some background on the drinking water source protection initiative

- It is a provincial initiative to protect sources of drinking water across Ontario under the *Clean Water Act*, 2006.
- The work was led locally by the Cataraqui Source Protection Committee, a multi-stakeholder group formed in 2007.
- Local delivery of the project is supported by the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority.
- The planning process has been open and transparent with many opportunities for consultation.
- Plan implementation is the next phase of source water protection

#### **More Information**

Visit www.cleanwatercataraqui.ca to find a variety of resources including:

- Cataraqui Source Protection Plan and related technical studies
- Fact sheets and guides
- Maps, including clickable versions tailored to each vulnerable area
- Helpful links

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<sup>\*</sup> **Bold** indicates where binding policies can apply.