



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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**From:** McLean, Michele <[Michele.McLean@york.ca](mailto:Michele.McLean@york.ca)>  
**Sent:** February 10, 2023 9:54 AM  
**To:** McLean, Michele <[Michele.McLean@york.ca](mailto:Michele.McLean@york.ca)>  
**Subject:** Notice of Traveller Safety Plan Public Information Centre on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Good morning,

Attached, find a copy of the **Notice of Traveller Safety Plan Public Information Centre**.

The purpose of this notice is to advise that York Region is hosting a virtual public meeting on **Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 7:30 p.m., to gather input from residents, business operators and stakeholders**. We are seeking public input to help promote road safety. The Plan will include local and Regional roads and is led by industry professionals, consultants and road safety partners.

This notice will be published on Thursday, February 16, 2023, and Thursday, February 23, 2023, through advertisements in Metroland newspapers across York Region. It is posted on the Region's website [York.ca/TravellerSafetyPlan](http://York.ca/TravellerSafetyPlan) and social media channels.

It may be appropriate for your Clerk's office to forward this notice to elected officials and staff as required.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact:

- Director, Roads and Traffic Operations, Joseph Petrunaro at 905-830-4444 ext. 75220 or [joseph.petrungaro@york.ca](mailto:joseph.petrungaro@york.ca)
- Manager, Corridor Control and Safety TRN – Roads and Traffic Operation, Nelson Costa at 905-830-4444 ext. 75251 or [nelson.costa@york.ca](mailto:nelson.costa@york.ca)

Sincerely,

Our working hours may be different. Please do not feel obligated to reply outside of your scheduled working hours. Let's work together to help foster healthy work-life boundaries.

**Michele McLean (she/her) |** Communications and Community Engagement Specialist

Strategic Initiatives & Programs, Public Works

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## Traveller safety for the future

York Region is developing a multi-year Traveller Safety Plan, led by industry professionals, consultants and road safety partners.

### You are invited

We want your input on local and Regional roads to help keep roads safe.

The virtual information session will include a presentation of the plan and you can share input through an interactive tool to help develop the plan's key focus areas.

For more information and to register, visit [york.ca/TravellerSafetyPlan](https://york.ca/TravellerSafetyPlan)



### Virtual information session

Tuesday, February 28, 2023  
from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

York Region



## MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

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February 10, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford  
 Premier of Ontario  
 Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
 Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
 Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford,

**RE: Municipal Petition in Opposition of Bill 3**

At the Council meeting held on January 31, 2023, the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah passed the attached resolution # 45-23 supporting the Town of Cobourg (Resolution 406-22) and the Municipality of Greenstone (resolution 22-396) regarding Bill 3 and further opposing the changes that Bill 3 makes to the Municipal Act, 2001 and Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

The Municipality of Shuniah resolves to petition the Government of Ontario:

1. THAT these changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and would negatively affect the Municipality of Shuniah; and
2. THAT if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities; and
3. THAT the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipality Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2022; and
4. THAT if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing.

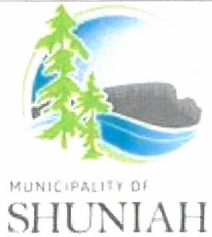
A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference and consideration.

Yours truly,

*K Bellamy*  
 Kerry Bellamy

Clerk  
 KB/jk

Cc:  
 Lise Vaugeois, MPP Thunder Bay Superior North  
 Kevin Holland, MPP Thunder Bay-Atikokan  
 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH)  
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
 All Ontario Municipalities



## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 45-23

Date: Jan 31, 2023

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

*[Handwritten signature]*

THAT Council support the resolution put forward by the Town of Cobourg and the Municipality of Greenstone;

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has enacted Bill 3 which is described as "An Act to amend various statutes with respect to special powers and duties of heads of Council;

AND WHEREAS this Bill will initially apply to the City of Toronto and the City of Ottawa but, according to a statement made by the Premier at the 2022 AMO annual conference, will later be expanded to include other municipalities;

AND WHEREAS this will give Mayors additional authority and powers, and correspondingly take away authority and powers from Councils and professional staff, and will include giving the Mayor the authority to propose and adopt the Municipal budget and to veto some decisions of Council;

AND WHEREAS this Bill will give authority over professional staff to the Mayor, including that of the Chief Administrative Officer;

AND WHEREAS these changes will result in a reduction of independence for professional staff including the COA, who currently provide objective information to the Council and public and will not take direction from the Mayor alone when the Mayor so directs;

AND WHEREAS these surprising and unnecessary changes to the historical balance of power between a Mayor and Council, and which historically gave the final say in all matters to the will of the majority of the elected Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Shuniah passes this resolution to petition the Government of Ontario:

1. THAT these changes to the Municipal Act, 2001, are unnecessary and would negatively affect the Municipality of Shuniah; and

2. THAT is the Ontario Government if the Ontario Government deems these changes necessary in large single-tier municipalities such as Toronto and Ottawa, that such changes should not be implemented in smaller municipalities; and

3. THAT the Ontario Government should enact legislation clarifying the role of Mayor, Council and Chief Administrative Officer, similar to those recommended by the Ontario Municipality Administrator's Association and those recommended by Justice Marrocco in the Collingwood judicial inquiry of 2022; and

4. THAT if the stated goal of this legislation is to construct more housing in Ontario that this can be accomplished through other means including amendment of the Planning Act and funding of more affordable housing;

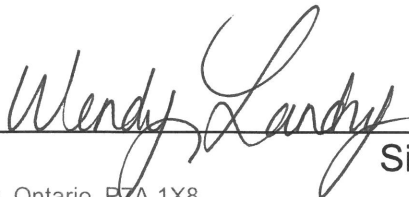
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Lise Vaugeois, MPP, Kevin Holland, MPP, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario.”

**Carried**

**Defeated**

**Amended**

**Deferred**

  
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 Signature

Municipality of Shuniah, 420 Leslie Avenue, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7A 1X8



**CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST NIPISSING**

**Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**Resolution #**                    2023/38  
**Title:**                            Support resolution for Bill 23  
**Date:**                            February 7, 2023

**Moved by:**                    Councillor Jérôme Courchesne  
**Seconded by:**                Councillor Anne Tessier

**WHEREAS** the Government of Ontario recently passed Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 without providing meaningful or adequate opportunity for municipalities to provide input on ways to increase the supply of housing and to improve housing affordability in Ontario while ensuring the financial capacity of municipalities to support growth and protection of the environment;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 23 will have significant negative impact on, green standards, environmental protection of wetlands, conservation, social housing and other significant areas of concern;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 23 will negatively impact municipalities' ability to manage growth, fund essential services and provide new infrastructure for the community resulting in fewer affordable housing units and putting pressure on the municipal tax rate by freezing, reducing, and exempting fees and development charges;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 23 will have a negative environmental impact by removing the Conservation Authority's ability to review and consult on developments impacting natural heritage and conservation;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 23 will result in reduced parkland for municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS** Bill 23 will open up the Greenbelt for development when the Greenbelt should remain an environmentally protected area so it can continue to help with flood control, provide clean air, and protect us from natural disasters;

**AND WHEREAS** a preliminary analysis of Bill 23 by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) indicates the transfer of up to \$1 billion a year in costs from private sector developers to property taxpayers without any likelihood of improved housing affordability while also undermining environmental protection;

**AND WHEREAS** a growing number of municipalities have joined in expressing their concern with the negative impacts of Bill 23;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. That the Municipality of West Nipissing formally express its opposition to Bill 23 in its current form and that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, and MPP for Nipissing Timiskaming, John Vanthof;
2. That a copy of this resolution also be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all Ontario municipalities.

**CARRIED**





## CORPORATION DE LA MUNICIPALITÉ DE NIPISSING OUEST

### Réunion du Conseil et Comité plénier

**Résolution #** 2023/38  
**Titre:** Résolution d'appui au projet de la loi 23  
**Date:** le 7 février 2023

**Proposé par:** Councillor Jérôme Courchesne

**Appuyé par:** Councillor Anne Tessier

**ATTENDU QUE** le gouvernement de l'Ontario a récemment adopté le projet de loi 23, Loi de 2022 pour plus de logements construits plus rapidement, sans offrir aux municipalités une occasion significative ou adéquate de donner leur avis sur les moyens d'accroître l'offre de logements et d'améliorer l'abordabilité des logements en Ontario tout en assurant la capacité financière des municipalités à soutenir la croissance et la protection de l'environnement;

**ATTENDU QUE** le projet de loi 23 aura des répercussions négatives importantes sur les normes vertes, la protection environnementale des terres humides, la conservation, le logement social et d'autres sujets de préoccupation importants;

**ATTENDU QUE** le projet de loi 23 aura une incidence négative sur la capacité des municipalités à gérer la croissance, à financer les services essentiels et à fournir de nouvelles infrastructures à la collectivité, ce qui entraînera une diminution du nombre de logements abordables et exercera des pressions sur le taux d'imposition municipal en gelant, en réduisant et en exonérant les frais et les redevances d'aménagement;

**ATTENDU QUE** le projet de loi 23 aura un impact négatif sur l'environnement en supprimant la capacité de l'office de protection de la nature d'examiner et de consulter les développements ayant une incidence sur le patrimoine naturel et la conservation;

**ATTENDU QUE** le projet de loi 23 entraînera une réduction des parcs pour les municipalités;

**ATTENDU QUE** le projet de loi 23 ouvrira la Ceinture de verdure au développement alors que la Ceinture de verdure devrait demeurer une zone protégée sur le plan environnemental afin qu'elle puisse continuer à contribuer à la lutte contre les inondations, à fournir de l'air pur et à nous protéger contre les catastrophes naturelles;

**ATTENDU QU'**une analyse préliminaire du projet de loi 23 par l'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario (AMO) indique le transfert de coûts pouvant atteindre 1 milliard de dollars par année des promoteurs du secteur privé aux contribuables fonciers sans aucune probabilité d'amélioration de l'abordabilité du logement tout en compromettant la protection de l'environnement;

**ATTENDU QU'**un nombre croissant de municipalités se sont jointes à eux pour exprimer leurs préoccupations face aux répercussions négatives du projet de loi 23;

**PAR CONSÉQUENT, QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU,**

1. Que la Municipalité de Nipissing Ouest exprime officiellement son opposition au projet de loi 23 dans sa forme actuelle et que la présente résolution soit transmise au premier ministre de l'Ontario, au ministre des Affaires municipales et du Logement, Steve Clark, et au député provincial de Nipissing Timiskaming, John Vanthof;
2. Qu'une copie de la présente résolution soit également envoyée à l'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario et à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉ**



**West Nipissing Ovest**

**Joie de vivre**

The Corporation of the Municipality of West Nipissing  
La Corporation de la Municipalité de Nipissing Ovest  
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February 9, 2023

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
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**SENT VIA E MAIL**

Honourable Premier Ford:

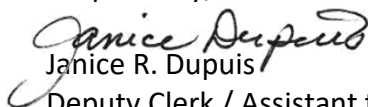
**SUBJECT: BILL 23 – MORE HOMES BUILT FASTER ACT**

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At its meeting held on February 7, 2023, Council for the Municipality of West Nipissing passed resolution **2023/38**, a copy of which is attached hereto. The resolution supports the concerns expressed by municipalities throughout the province as it relates to the negative impacts of *Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act*.

We trust the enclosed is self-explanatory.

Respectfully,

  
Janice R. Dupuis  
Deputy Clerk / Assistant to the  
Chief Administrative Officer

\Encl.

cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
MPP for Nipissing Timiskaming  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
all Ontario municipalities

**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ESSEX**

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February 14, 2023

**Honourable Steven Lecce, Minister of Education**

Ministry of Education  
315 Front Street West, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 0B8

RE: Ontario School Board Elections

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Dear Minister Lecce,

At its Regular Meeting on February 6, 2023, Council received correspondence from the Town of Petrolia regarding School Board Elections in Ontario. Through discussion, Council determined that organizing, hosting, and promoting School Board Elections requires an extensive use of municipal resources and co-ordination. It was further discussed that the act of conducting School Board Elections, without compensation or re-imbusement, places a significant financial burden on municipalities.

As a result of that discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

**R23-02-034**

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Shepley  
Seconded by: Councillor Allard

**That** the correspondence dated January 23, 2023 from the Town of Petrolia regarding School Board Elections be received and supported; and

**That** a letter of support be sent to the Town of Petrolia, the Honourable Steven Lecce, Minister of Education, MPP Anthony Leardi, the County of Essex and all other municipalities.

**Carried**

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shelley Brown".

**Shelley Brown**

Acting Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services  
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February 16, 2023

*Via: Email*

The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education  
Ministry of Education

Re: Ontario School Board Elections

Dear Honourable Stephen Lecce,

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Deep River, at the Regular Meeting of Council on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, adopted the following Resolution:

- 6.1.1 School Board Elections Correspondence  
Mandi Pearson, Clerk / Operations Clerk, Town of Petrolia

## **RESOLUTION 2023 29**

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Fitton

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Myers

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the correspondence from Ms. Mandi Pearson of the Town of Petrolia, regarding School Board Elections, be received,

**THAT** Council of the Town of Deep River supports the Resolution passed by the Town of Petrolia Council to request that School Boards become responsible for conducting their own Trustee elections, or at minimum municipalities be compensated by the School Boards for overseeing such Trustee elections; and

**THAT** staff forward this Resolution to the Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, and to Ontario Municipal Councils.

**CARRIED**

Best Regards,

Jackie Mellon  
Clerk  
Town of Deep River

cc: Ontario Municipal Councils

## BULLETIN

# Ontario Protecting Raptors Against Illegal Activities

February 17, 2023

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The Ontario government is safeguarding raptors by ensuring falconers follow licence conditions and obey the law.

Salvatore Trentadue, of Bowmanville pleaded guilty to failing to report the loss of an American kestrel, failing to report the death of a bald eagle, failing to report the acquisition of a great horned owl, unlawfully possessing a barred owl and unlawfully selling a turkey vulture. He was fined \$10,000 in total. In addition, he received a probation order limiting the number of falconry birds he can possess and breed for two years. He is also prohibited from participating in the Wild Take Program, which allows falconers to capture and keep one wild bird from an approved species list each year, for two years.

The court heard that on December 17, 2019, conservation officers conducted an inspection of Trentadue's falconry birds and records. The information gathered during the inspection was reviewed and an audit of the records was conducted. Reporting violations were identified involving an American kestrel, a bald eagle and a great horned owl. Further investigation revealed that Trentadue unlawfully possessed a barred owl and unlawfully sold a turkey vulture.

Justice of the Peace Allison Forestall heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Whitby, on January 5, 2023.

To report a natural resource problem or provide information about an unsolved case, members of the public can call the ministry TIPS line toll free at 1-877-847-7667. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS. For more information about unsolved cases, please visit [ontario.ca/mnrftips](https://ontario.ca/mnrftips).

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## Related Topics

### Law and Safety

Ontario's laws and related information about our legal system, emergency services, the Ontario Provincial Police and victim services. [Learn more](#)

### Rural and North

Information about the province's Far North and rural communities. Get connected to business improvement organizations and learn more about funding and programs that support rural, northern and Indigenous communities. [Learn more](#)

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## South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region

February 14, 2023

Sent via email [clerks@newmarket.ca](mailto:clerks@newmarket.ca)

Lisa Lyons  
 Director of Legislative Services and Town Clerk  
 Town of Newmarket  
 395 Mulock Drive  
 P.O. Box 328, Stn Main Newmarket, ON L3Y 4X7

Dear Mayor and Councillors:

### **Re: Protection of raw sources of municipal drinking water through the Drinking Water Source Protection Program**

For some of you, this will be your first term on municipal Council, and your first introduction to Ontario's Drinking Water Source Protection Program.

Town of Newmarket is part of the South Georgian Bay – Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region. In this Region, the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority and Severn Sound Environmental Association work in close partnership with the South Georgian Bay – Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee and municipalities to protect the raw sources of municipal drinking water (Attachment 1).

In this Source Protection Region, municipal drinking water is drawn from both surface water and groundwater sources. Both surface water and groundwater can become exposed to contamination, and long-term problems can develop that can be costly or even impossible to correct. There have been many lessons learned and advances made in protecting municipal drinking water sources since the Walkerton Tragedy in 2000.

The Clean Water Act is part of the multi-barrier approach to ensure clean, safe and sustainable drinking water for Ontarians, by protecting the raw sources of municipal drinking water such as lakes, rivers and aquifers. Under this legislation, the Drinking Water Source Protection Program was established, which resulted in the development of science-based assessment reports and local source protection plans by multi-stakeholder source protection committees, supported by source protection authorities. Municipalities play a large role in the implementation of the source protection plans and are a key partner.



### **Municipal Responsibilities Under the Clean Water Act**

Source protection plans require municipalities to implement policies to protect the source water for their drinking water systems. Municipal requirements: including identified vulnerable areas in Official Plan mapping, reviewing planning applications within vulnerable areas to ensure new threats to drinking water are not introduced, and negotiating Risk Management Plans with residents and businesses to manage any existing threats to drinking water. Our Source Protection Plan has been in effect since July 2015, and your staff has put procedures in place to ensure that these requirements are being met.

The Safe Drinking Water Act also requires municipalities to work with your local Source Protection Authority to add any new or expanded municipal drinking water systems to our Source Protection Plan before those systems can come into use. This is an important step to ensure that all future sources of drinking water receive the same level of protection as the ones you are currently using. When this need arises in your municipality, Source Protection Authority staff will work with staff from your municipality to ensure the work is completed, including seeking a resolution from your Council supporting the amendment.

Please find enclosed a primer on Municipal responsibilities under the Clean Water Act (Attachment 2). If there is interest, a brief presentation on the topic could be provided at a future Council meeting.

Sincerely,



Bill Thompson

Project Manager

South Georgian Bay – Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region

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# Drinking Water Source Protection Primer: For Municipal Councillors

Your community relies on safe, sustainable drinking water. Protecting the water at its source is an important first step in the drinking water safety net.

Ontario has a comprehensive Drinking Water Source Protection Program to ensure sources of municipal drinking water are protected now and into the future. Under this program, local source protection plans developed under the Clean Water Act, 2006, are in place. These plans contain policies that protect municipal drinking water sources (water found in lakes, rivers and groundwater aquifers) from contamination and overuse.

## **Meet your statutory standard of care responsibilities**

Source protection plans require municipalities to implement policies to protect the source water for their drinking water systems. The Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002, includes a statutory standard of care (section 19) for individuals with oversight responsibilities for municipal drinking water systems, including municipal councillors.

This standard ensures that you are practicing due diligence to protect public health when making decisions that could affect drinking water. This includes a consideration of the source water characteristics as well as the risks posed to it.

Learn more at: [ontario.ca/page/taking-care-your-drinking-water-guide-members-municipal-councils](https://ontario.ca/page/taking-care-your-drinking-water-guide-members-municipal-councils).

## **Ensure source protection planning is in place**

New regulation 205/18 has been established under the Safe Drinking Water Act, 2002, to ensure that source protection planning is in place for new and changing municipal systems, before treated drinking water is provided to the public.

18 Review the source protection plan for your area to find out what policies are to be implemented within your municipality and what actions are being taken to protect drinking water vulnerable areas.

- Understand how **source protection plan policies** can impact building requirements. Development applications and planning or building permits may be flagged at a municipality for land use planning policies. These applications or permits often need to be reviewed by the local risk management official (RMO) before they can be submitted to the municipality. Proposed activities may require a risk management plan, or in some cases are prohibited.
- When a **risk management plan** is needed, a risk management official works with the landowners/renters to develop a plan that contains measures to protect drinking water sources. A risk management plan is only required when a property is in a vulnerable area and the activity being undertaken poses a significant level risk to drinking water sources.
- **Sewage systems** identified under the Clean Water Act as causing significant level risks to drinking water sources, are subject to mandatory inspections through the Building Code Act, 1992.
- The Drinking Water Source Protection Program does not include **individual private wells**. A private well owner needs to regularly sample their water to test its quality, and properly maintain their well to protect water sources. [The Best Practices for Source Water Protection](#) developed by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, provides guidance for systems not covered under Clean Water Act.

The regulation came into effect on July 1, 2018. Municipal residential drinking water system owners are now responsible for ensuring that vulnerable areas are delineated and vulnerability scores are identified before they apply for a drinking water works permit. Source protection plans must also be amended and approved prior to the treated water being supplied to the public.

Notify your local conservation authority immediately, when planning changes to your drinking water systems, or planning for a new well/intake or a new system.

### Provincial Policy Statement

Municipalities and other planning authorities must follow the Provincial Policy Statement. Section 2.2.1 mandates planning authorities to protect, improve or restore the quality and quantity of water. This includes protecting vulnerable areas associated with drinking water sources.

### Be informed

- **Your constituents** may come to you with questions about the source of their drinking water supply. Find out how drinking water source protection benefits your region, and the cost of the protection. Know how many municipal wells/surface water intakes there are, where they are located, and who they serve in your municipality. Determine these with help from your municipal staff and local conservation authority.
- **Municipalities** are responsible for implementing more than half of the policies found in source protection plans. Many of these policies are legally binding.



## What's a vulnerable area?

Drinking water source protection is based on science. Local scientific data was used to create maps that show drinking water vulnerable areas. In these areas, we need to pay attention to activities causing contamination and overuse of our municipal drinking water sources.

To find out if a property is located in a drinking water vulnerable area, search the Source Protection Information Atlas at [ontario.ca/page/source-protection](https://ontario.ca/page/source-protection).

There are four types of vulnerable areas:

**Wellhead protection areas (WHPAs)** are areas around municipal wells where the groundwater is travelling toward that well when the well is being pumped. These areas should be protected from risks to the quality and quantity of the drinking water source.

**Intake protection zones (IPZs)** are areas of land and water around surface water intakes that should be protected from risks to the quality and quantity of the drinking water source.

**Significant groundwater recharge areas (SGRAs)** are areas where a relatively high percentage of precipitation seeps into the ground to help maintain the water level in an aquifer that supplies a community or private residence with drinking water.

**Highly vulnerable aquifers (HVAs)** are areas that are particularly susceptible to contamination based on factors such as the aquifer depth underground, the soil types, soil permeability and other characteristics of the surrounding soil or rock.

If a water quality issue is identified by source protection committees under the Clean Water Act, issue contributing areas (ICAs) can be delineated within the vulnerable areas. Examples of issues identified in Ontario include nitrate and sodium. Mandatory policies apply within issue contributing areas in order to ensure that the source water quality is protected or improved.

# Know the threats to drinking water sources

The Clean Water Act identifies activities that could pose a threat to drinking water sources under certain circumstances. These threat activities may be significant, moderate or low level risks. Identified threats include:

- Application, handling and storage of agricultural source material (such as manure), non-agricultural source material (such as biosolids), commercial fertilizer, and pesticides.
- Handling and storage of fuel, dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs\*), and organic solvents.
- Management of aircraft de-icing chemical runoff.
- Land used for livestock grazing or pasturing, outdoor confinement areas, and farm-animal yards.
- Application, handling and storage of road salt, and storage of snow.
- The establishment, operation and maintenance of systems that collect, store, transmit, treat or dispose of sewage (such as septic systems and sewage treatment plants, stormwater management facilities).
- The establishment, operation and maintenance of waste disposal sites (such as landfills).
- Activities that take water from a water body without returning the water to the same water body.
- An activity that reduces the recharge of an aquifer.
- The establishment and operation of a liquid hydrocarbon pipeline (added in April 2018, through an amendment to the Clean Water Act).

*\*DNAPLs, or dense non-aqueous phase liquids, are a particularly hazardous group of substances that are heavier than water and are difficult to remove once they contaminate a water source.*



## Have you seen this Drinking Water Protection Zone sign?

These signs are appearing across Ontario to raise awareness about the vulnerability of our municipal drinking water sources. Governments at the local and provincial level are placing signs along roadways where a pollution spill could have a negative impact on our drinking water sources.



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Our Actions Matter



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February 24, 2023

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Angela Freedman:

**RE: Proclamation Request – International Women’s Day**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim March 8, 2023 as International Women’s Day. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town’s website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town’s social media.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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Simon Granat

Legislative Coordinator



February 24, 2023

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Angela Freedman:

**RE: Proclamation Request – March 8, 2023 – International Women’s Day**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize March 8, 2023 as International Women’s Day.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

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John Taylor  
Mayor





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February 24, 2023

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Aman Maharaj:

**RE: Proclamation and Community Flag Raising Request – March 30, 2023 – World Bipolar Day**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim March 30, 2023 as World Bipolar Day. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the community flag pole located at Peace Park on Cane Parkway will fly your flag on March 30, 2023 to recognize World Bipolar Day. Please note that the flag must be dropped off at the Town of Newmarket Operations Centre at 1275 Maple Hill Court by 4:00 PM on March 27, 2023, ATTN: Nick Evans. Alternatively, you can leave it in the drop off box at the front of the building after 4:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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Simon Granat  
Legislative Coordinator



February 24, 2023

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Aman Maharaj:

**RE: Proclamation and Community Flag Raising Request – March 30, 2023 –  
World Bipolar Day**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize March 30, 2023 as World Bipolar Day.

In addition, the community flag pole located at Peace Park on Cane Parkway will fly your flag on March 30, 2023

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

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February 24, 2023

Sent to: [bsander@cdha.ca](mailto:bsander@cdha.ca)

Dear Brittney Sander

**RE: Lighting Request – April 4, 2023 – National Dental Hygienists Week**

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I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim April 4 to 10, 2023 as National Dental Hygienists Week. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in purple on April 4, 2023 to recognize National Dental Hygienists Week. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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Simon Granat  
Legislative Coordinator



February 24, 2023

Sent to: [bsander@cdha.ca](mailto:bsander@cdha.ca)

Dear Brittney Sander

**RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – April 4 to 10, 2023 – National Dental Hygienists Week**

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize April 4 to 10 as National Dental Hygienists Week.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in purple on April 4, 2023 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor  
Mayor