

ENGINEERING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes

Meeting: Friday, June 13, 2008

Committee Members

Rick Archdekin	Wasaga Beach	Fred Nix	Mono
Tom Elliott	Springwater	Terry Dowdall	Essa
Ron Henderson	Essa	Robert Walker	Clearview
Barry Ward	Barrie		

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Staff Members

Glenn Switzer	Director of Engineering & Technical Services
Ryan Post	Hydrogeologist, Coordinator Source Water Protection

1. NVCA Groundwater Management Plan

Ryan gave a power point presentation on the importance of developing a groundwater management plan for the NVCA watershed. Groundwater impacts the water supply for the majority of watershed residents, water taking for irrigation and it is the source of base flows for all NVCA watercourses. It is critical therefore, to understand the groundwater system and identify ways and means of protecting the NVCA groundwater resource.

He gave a brief description of the main bedrock and over burden aquifer units. Ryan is proposing to develop a Groundwater Management Plan that incorporates the following program areas:

- Groundwater Monitoring Program
- Integrated information management
- Public outreach, education, and communications
- Financial incentives to protect groundwater (stewardship)
- Groundwater policy development and planning

In the fall of 2008, staff will bring forward a Groundwater Management Plan for review. The NVCA will solicit the support and involvement of watershed municipalities in the development and implementation of the Groundwater Management Plan in order to ensure the long-term protection and sustainability use of the groundwater resources and it will be incorporated the 2009 NVCA Business Plan and budget review process to meet the NVCA groundwater target.

