



Vulnerable areas around Minden, Lutterworth Pines, Norland and Kinmount municipal drinking water systems

(Minden, November 11, 2009) Municipal water customers and landowners in the Minden, Lutterworth Pines, Norland and Kinmount areas are invited to an open house to learn about the protection of their drinking water.

The open house will take place on Monday, November 23 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Haliburton County Council Office at 11 Newcastle Street in Minden.

The Trent Conservation Coalition will be presenting maps of vulnerable areas around the municipal drinking water systems in these communities. The Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee will be completing source water protection plans for these systems by 2012.

The identification of vulnerable areas is important, as there is a higher risk for contaminants in these areas to reach municipal supplies and for groundwater resources to be impacted by excessive uses.

Landowners who are not on municipal water but are within the areas identified as vulnerable are encouraged to attend the open house. These landowners will have an important role in protecting municipal drinking water. To find out if you are in a vulnerable area, please check the maps available at www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca in the events section. Maps with greater detail will be presented at the open house.

Other information to be presented includes where municipal water comes from, what land uses pose a risk, how land use policies will be developed to protect municipal drinking water and how you can submit comments and be involved.

The Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Committee, established under Ontario's *Clean Water Act*, is a local, multi-stakeholder committee representing municipal, special interest groups, business sectors and First Nations.

Please visit www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca for more information or contact Mark Majchrowski, Director, Watershed Management, Kawartha Conservation, at 705.328.2271 ext. 215.

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