

## Addendum # 3 to Report PDR-PCD-05-14

**To:** Chair Wright and Members of the Planning and Community Development Committee

**From:** Scott Taylor, Senior Planner

**Meeting Date:** May 19, 2015

**Subject:** Funding Extension Request for Source Protection Implementation Funding

**Status:** Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution PCD77-15; Endorsed by County Council June 2, 2015 per Resolution CC81-15;

### Recommendation(s)

**WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has set up a Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund to provide one-time grant funding to offset a portion of the costs for small, rural municipalities in preparing to implement drinking water source protection plans;**

**AND WHEREAS the County of Grey has received grant funding in the amount of \$58,729.00 for eligible activities undertaken by the County, with an additional \$15,000.00 for collaborating with municipalities in Grey and Bruce counties on the 'Risk Management Official - Risk Management Inspector In-A-Box' program;**

**AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has yet to approve the Source Protection Plan for Grey Sauble, Saugeen Valley, and Northern Bruce Peninsula, which covers much of Grey and Bruce Counties;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Addendum # 3 to Report PDR-PCD-05-14 be received;**

**AND THAT staff be directed to request from the Province of Ontario a one-time extension to Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund spending deadline, based on the delay in the approval of the Source Protection Plan covering much of the County of Grey;**

**AND THAT the extension request be commiserate with the timing for the approval of the Source Protection Plan, such that the County will have the ability to review the approved Plan, and implement amendments to the County Official Plan, within the revised funding spending deadline,**

**AND THAT this Report be circulated to other municipalities within the Source Protection Plan area for Grey Sauble, Saugeen Valley, and Northern Bruce Peninsula, for their consideration of a similar such request.**

## Background

The County and a number of its member municipalities received Source Protection Municipal Implementation Funding (SPMIF) from the Province. In Report PDR-PCD-05-14, and its Addendums, the funding, along with the collaborative 'Risk Management Official (RMO) - Risk Management Inspector (RMI) In-A-Box' project are outlined. Copies of the aforementioned reports are linked in the Attachments section of this report. For development purposes the RMI-RMO In-A-Box project was subsequently broken down into two separate components; the Property Tracking System (PTS) and the Administrative Support Documents (ASD). The County had budgeted approximately \$30,000.00 from the SPMIF monies for the RMO-RMI-In-A-Box project. County staff are pleased to report that the County was successful in obtaining the additional \$15,000 collaboration funding for the RMO-RMI-In-A-Box project.

The RMO-RMI-In-A-Box project is proceeding on schedule and will be completed within the timeframes attached to the SPMIF monies.

The County had intended on spending some of the remainder of the SPMIF monies on amendments to the County Official Plan, which are required based on the approval of Source Protection Plans (SPPs). The County of Grey is covered by three SPPs; however the majority of the County is within the Source Protection Plan area for Grey Sauble, Saugeen Valley, and Northern Bruce Peninsula. The SPP for this particular Source Protection Authority has not been approved by the Province yet. Based on recent discussions with Source Protection Authority staff, it may not be approved until the Fall or early Winter of 2015. County staff are of the understanding that the majority of the SPPs across the Province have now been approved, and that this particular Plan stands to be one of the last plans approved in the Province.

Based on the fact that the SPP has yet to be approved, County staff are reticent to move forward with initiating amendments to the County Official Plan, due to the uncertainty of what may or may not be approved in the SPP. It is for this primary reason that County staff are recommending that the County seek an extension to the funding spending deadline for SPMIF. The current deadline for the utilization of the SPMIF monies is December 7, 2015.

## Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology Considerations

Whether or not the County is able to secure an extension to the SPMIF deadline the County will continue to work on the RMO-RMI-In-A-Box project, and it should be completed by December 7, 2015.

However depending on when the Province approves the Source Protection Plan for Grey Sauble, Saugeen Valley, and Northern Bruce Peninsula area, the County may or may not be able to spend the remainder of the SPMIF monies before the funding deadline. Should the County fail to secure an extension from the Province, and should the County fail to implement the County's Official Plan Amendment before this deadline, it would mean that the future Amendment would need to be funded by the Planning Department budget, rather than by the SPMIF monies.

## Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

A collaborative project of this nature falls under both goals 4 and 5 of the County's Corporate Strategic Plan. By working together, the County and member municipalities are both maximizing the use of the funding, but also avoiding duplication of efforts. The creation of sound land use planning policies is also a strategic goal of the County.

## Attachments

[PDR-PCD-05-14 Source Protection Implementation Funding Agreement](#)

[Addendum to PDR-PCD-05-14 Source Protection Implementation Funding](#)

[Addendum 2 to Report PDR-PCD-05-14 Source Protection Implementation Collaborative Funding Breakdown Costs](#)

Respectfully submitted by,

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Director Sign Off: *Randy Scherzer*