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## Quinte Source Protection Region - BACKGROUNDER

We need safe, reliable sources of drinking water now and in the future. Our drinking water comes from lakes, rivers and streams or underground sources. Under the *Clean Water Act, 2006,* 19 regions in Ontario have produced local, science-based plans to protect sources of municipal drinking water. This work was funded by the Ontario government.

The Quinte Source Protection Region is based on the jurisdiction of Quinte Conservation. This includes the watersheds of the Moira, Napanee and Salmon Rivers and all of Prince Edward County; an area of over 6,000 square kilometres in eastern Ontario with about 117,000 people.

There are 11 municipal drinking water systems in the Quinte Region that serve half of the population. Seven of these systems are intakes from surface water and four are groundwater systems that have wells drilled into the underlying aquifers. The remaining population obtains water from private wells using groundwater; in some cases surface water from shore wells; or for some cottages, directly from a river or lake.

The Quinte Region Source Protection Plan was developed by a local Source Protection Committee with extensive public input and broad consultation. The Plan was approved in September 2014 and became effective on January 1, 2015.

Visit QuinteSourceWater.ca, to see the Source Protection Plan, policy information maps, helpful fact sheets and more.



Roblin Lake in Prince Edward County is one of 11 sources of municipal drinking water in the Quinte Region.



Protecting sources of municipal drinking water helps to protect public health and ensures safe and adequate supplies for our future.

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# **Municipal Partners**

Within the Quinte Source Protection Region there are three upper tier, three single tier and 15 lower tier municipalities. There are five members of the Source Protection Committee representing local municipalities.

### **Upper Tier**

County of Hastings County of Frontenac Lennox & Addington County

#### **Single Tier**

County of Prince Edward City of Belleville City of Quinte West

#### Lower Tier

Township of Stirling/Rawdon Municipality of Centre Hastings Township of Madoc Municipality of Marmora & Lake Municipality of Tweed Townships of Tudor & Cashel Town of Deseronto Township of Tyendinaga Township of Addington Highlands Township of Stone Mills Town of Greater Napanee Loyalist Township Township of North Frontenac Township of Central Frontenac Township of South Frontenac

# Source Protection Committee Members

The Quinte Region Source Protection Committee worked together with our communities since 2007 to create a straightforward, effective, and fair Source Protection Plan to protect municipal drinking water sources. The Committee monitors policy effectiveness and updates technical documents and the Plan as required.

### **MEMBER**

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### **TECHNICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT**

A provincially-funded source water protection staff team at Quinte Conservation, provide support to the Source Protection Committee.

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## The Source Protection Plan

The Source Protection Committee used sciencebased information and knowledge provided through technical studies, working groups and the community to develop the plan to protect our municipal drinking water sources.

The Approved Source Protection Plan outlines policies to address the threats to municipal drinking water sources that were identified in the Assessment Report. The Plan contains a series of voluntary and mandatory policies that encourage good stewardship, call for additional care or risk reduction measures where necessary, and even prohibits certain activities. Affected landowners were contacted several times during the planning process. Municipalities responsible for drinking water systems worked with Quinte Conservation to establish the protocols required for successful Source Protection Plan implementation. Tasks include providing related education and outreach, establishing risk management plans, preparing municipal land use planning documents, and communicating with affected landowners. Municipalities, along with other named implementing bodies have been implementing policies since 2015.

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Municipal Drinking Water Systems			
Municipality	System Name	Background	Source
City of Belleville	Point Anne Hamlet Water Treatment Plant	This intake provides water to 55 people (22 connections). It is a gravity intake pipe in the Bay of Quinte that supplies an intake well.	Bay of Quinte (surface water intake under the influence of groundwater)
City of Belleville	Gerry O'Connor Water Treatment Plant	40,000 people are served by this plant: 11,500 residential connections, 6,018 apartment dwellings and 400 residential connections in Rossmore and Fenwood Gardens.	Bay of Quinte (surface water intake)
Prince Edward County	Peats Point Subdivision Well Supply	This well, drilled in 2004, serves 19 residential connections in this subdivision in northern Prince Edward County.	1 well (groundwater under the influence of surface water from the Bay of Quinte)
Prince Edward County	Ameliasburgh Hamlet Water Treatment Plant	150 people are served by this system (57 connections).	Roblin Lake (surface water intake)
Prince Edward County	Picton Water Treatment Plant	5,905 people in Picton and 643 people in Bloomfield are served by this plant that was up- graded in 2005. There are two intakes in Picton Bay. The north intake is not currently used.	Picton Bay (surface water intake)
Prince Edward County	Wellington Water Treatment Plant	1,700 people are served by this system.	Lake Ontario (surface water intake)
Municipality of Tweed	Village of Tweed Well Supply	1,800 people are served by two wells, one is for emergency use only.	2 wells (groundwater)
Municipality of Centre Hastings	Village of Madoc Well Supply	The two Village of Madoc wells serve 1,250 people. Well number 3 was drilled in 1955 and Well number 4 was drilled in 2016.	2 wells (groundwater under the influence of surface water from Deer and Madoc Creeks)
Town of Deseronto	Deseronto Water Treatment Plant	1,700 people are served by this plant. Greater Napanee Utilities took over operations in 2003.	Bay of Quinte (surface water intake)
Municipality of Marmora and Lake	Deloro Well Supply	160 people are served by this 29.9 m drilled well equipped with 2 submersible well pumps.	1 well (groundwater)
Town of Greater Napanee (Backup)	A. L. Dafoe Water Treatment Plant	8,500 people are served by this backup system. The primary Napanee intake is in the Cataraqui Source Protection Area.	Napanee River (surface water intake)

