

Source Protection Committee Members

MUNICIPAL SECTOR

Walter Turek - City of Thunder Bay

Walter Turek shares both a professional and personal interest in source water protection, currently working at the City of Thunder Bay's Bare Point Water Treatment Plant and having lived next to the Great Lakes his entire life. Growing up literally on the shore of Lake Ontario in Hamilton, the effects of industry on our environment were impressed on him at an early age. This led to an interest in water chemistry and to eventually studying chemical engineering at Lakehead University. Now a registered professional engineer, he has twenty years' experience working in the manufacturing, transportation, and environmental sectors. Early in his career he worked as a lab technician, including a placement at the Canada Centre for Inland Waters, where he analyzed lamprey larvae and cloud water vapour for trace metals. While his core career diverged from that path since then, water and the environment were always elements of his work. He worked as Facilities Manager at the Thunder Bay International Airports Authority, where his role included managing the environmental portfolio there. He also previously worked in engineering and management roles in automotive and paper manufacturing. He is now proud to work for the City's Environment Division, helping ensure safe municipal drinking water for the residents of Thunder Bay, and also promoting water protection and conservation thorough plant tours and other initiatives.

Chris Bowles - Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge

Chris Bowles is the Director of Operations for the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge and oversees the Municipality's infrastructure and capital construction programs. Chris brings over 25 years of experience in the municipal and construction field. He has a thorough knowledge of water treatment and sanitary systems, project management, road maintenance, construction and design, and equipment operation and maintenance. Mr. Bowles is a graduate of Confederation College and brings considerable expertise to the Source Protection Committee representing the Municipal Sector.

AGRICULTURAL/COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SECTOR

Ashleigh Marchl - Industrial Sector

Ashleigh Marchl is the Environmental Superintendent for Resolute Forest Product's Thunder Bay Pulp and Paper Mill, with over 15 years' experience working in the industrial sector in an environmental capacity. Ashleigh has worked largely with municipal, provincial, and federal environmental regulations including water treatment and process effluent. Ashleigh holds a Masters of Environment and Business and a Bachelor of Environmental Studies from the



University of Waterloo and is a Canadian Registered Safety Professional as well as a certified Environmental Professional. Ashleigh also participates on a variety of boards and committees including the Remedial Action Plan Public Advisory Committee, Ontario Low Water Response Team, Kam River Water Management Team Standing Advisory Committee and EcoSuperior.

Bernie Kamphof - Agricultural Sector

Bernie Kamphof represents farming interests as the Agricultural representative on the Lakehead Source Protection Committee, Bernie has owned and managed a dairy and crop farm since 1993. Mr. Kamphof has been and is a member of many local agricultural committees and has served as a delegate to provincial organizations. In addition to his involvement with the local farm community, Bernie has been a member of Municipal Council for the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge since 2010.

ENVIRONMENTAL/OTHER INTERESTS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC SECTOR

Shanley Thompson – Environmental

Shanley is an environmental consultant with Hatch in Thunder Bay. She has nearly 10 years of experience focused on environmental impact assessment and environmental permitting for projects in the energy, mining, and infrastructure sectors across Canada. She has a BSc in Geography from Queen's University, a MSc in Forest Sciences from the University of British Columbia, and a PhD in Geography from the University of Victoria. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, camping, and gardening. Shanley is excited to work with the Lakehead Source Protection Committee to help protect the water quality of this beautiful region she calls home.

Erin Knight - Other Interests of the General Public

Erin Knight moved to Thunder Bay from London, Ontario. While completing the Environmental Technician diploma program at Confederation College, Erin spent two terms as an employee in the City of Thunder Bay's Environmental Division. Before committing to full-time work, Erin chose to continue her post-secondary studies by completing an Honours degree in Natural Resource Management at Lakehead University. Throughout her time at Lakehead, Erin acted as a student body representative for the campus' Office of Sustainability and as a member of the Natural Resources Student Society. Erin's passion for environmental outreach is framed by an active social media presence as well contributions to both the Lakehead Conservation Foundation and the Water Working Group for EarthCare Thunder Bay. During her free time Erin enjoys an active lifestyle in the natural landscapes around the Lakehead region, travelling to visit family, and spending time with friends and colleagues in neighbouring Conmee Township.