

SLRRC AGM Meeting

May 23, 2018

The River Institute

2:15 p.m.

1. **Call to Order at 2:15 p.m.**

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: Be it resolved that SLRRC approve the Agenda of the meeting of April 4, 2018

Moved Elaine Kennedy

Seconded Jeff Ridal

Carried

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Be it resolved that SLRRC approve the Minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2018

Moved Elaine Kennedy

Seconded Mark Kaddie

Carried

4. a) **Beneficial Use Impairments Delisting Criteria Review Process**

Work currently being undertaken re- delisting review process include the following (refer to ECCC spreadsheet to update this)

- **BUI # 1** - Fish Consumption – this BUI is still impaired - report pending - lead Jeff Ridal
- **BUI # 3** - Degradation of Fish and Wildlife Populations -
 - There is a need to update this criteria
 - Variety of ways of addressing this:
 - Marsh Monitoring - Karen Cooper / Lissa Deslandes
 - Osprey - RRCA (contract)
 - Look at U.S. Remedial Action Plan data - Jessica Jock
 - Reported that there is no loss of Egrets and Herons - look at data and look at RAC data to confirm

- Herring Gulls / Snapping Turtles - Contaminants?
- **BUI # 4 - Fish Tumours or Other Deformities** -This was not impaired when last sampled. Dominique Lapointe will be looking at this and prepare a report.
- **BUI # 5 Wildlife / Bird Deformities** - See whether data can be obtain from U.S. RAP reports undertaken in the last couple of years.
- **BUI # 6 Degradation of Benthos** - Benthos was last sampled in 2017 and we are awaiting information from this assessment undertaken by ECCC.
- **BUI # 7 - Restriction on Dredging Activities** – No longer impaired. Report to be delivered to SLRRC in fall of 2018
- **BUI # 8 - Eutrophication** - Criteria revision has been undertaken to ensure that measures are reasonable and achievable taking into consideration local land uses in the AOC as well as scope laid out in the 2012 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement. Andrew Morley was to take the lead on this BUI with staff of RRCA and River Institute.
- **BUI # 10 - Beach Closures** - The River Institute will be gathering data from Eastern Ontario Health Unit and Mohawk Health Unit to prepare a report on this BUI.
- **BUI # 13 - Phytoplankton & Zooplankton** - The River Institute will be gathering information and prepare a report.
- **BUI # 14 – Loss of Fish and Wildlife Habitat** – Criteria was revised by the BUI Criteria working group in December 2017. Leads identified at the time were Andrew Morley and Joffre Coté (MNRF) with assistance by Anne Bending (MNRF), Chris Critoph (RRCA), Dorothy Hamilton (OWA), Brandon Jacobs (RRCA) and others as identified

b) Framework Document

COA funding application pending until provincial election takes place

c) Cornwall Sediment Strategy

- ECCC coming back to do some reference sampling in 2018
- Awaiting funding for RI sampling. Both MOECC and ECCC applications from RI for sediment sampling are pending
- Lisa Richman and ECCC have been sampling

- Fish Contaminant sampling taking place as well
- Need flowchart to document different sampling streams and timeframes

New Business

- **Status of 64 Recommendations**
Elaine K and Karen C met to review the status of 64 RAP recommendations. A brief update was delivered. A Status Report is to follow at next meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Mark Kaddie

Next Meeting:

Sept. 19/18 at 1 pm at the River Institute