

What is required in an RMP for small quantities of waste?

You will work together with the Risk Management Official (RMO) to establish an RMP that is reasonable. The RMP will recognize good practices already in place, and include additional practices to minimize risks posed to the drinking water supply. Some examples of best management practices which might be included in your RMP are:

- Determine if the waste is subject to additional requirements.
- Analyze waste as necessary to properly classify and characterize it.
- Only mix wastes when it is appropriate to do so.
- Minimize the length of storage for wastes.
- Ensure proper storage and handling requirements are met.
- Train staff on proper storage, handling and record keeping.
- Maintain records of the types/quantities of wastes stored, as well as how wastes are disposed of and the length of storage.
- Properly label storage containers.
- Properly dispose of wastes at an appropriate facility.
- If necessary (i.e. if a large quantity of waste(s) is being stored), register wastes through the Hazardous Waste Information Network (HWIN).

Where can I find more information?

Using our website under the 'resources' tab, you will be able to access many useful resources including:

- Interactive maps which explain how the Cataraqui Source Protection Plan applies to you.
- Fact Sheets, FAQs, and primers which provide overviews of source protection, and Part IV of the *Clean Water Act*.
- Best practices for homeowners, including a list of top 10 recommendations for safe oil storage, produced by the Canadian Oil Heat Association (COHA).
- Training videos produced for municipal staff about source water protection in general, and the implementation of Part IV policies.
- The DO's and DON'ts of drinking water protection.
- Information about your drinking water supply.



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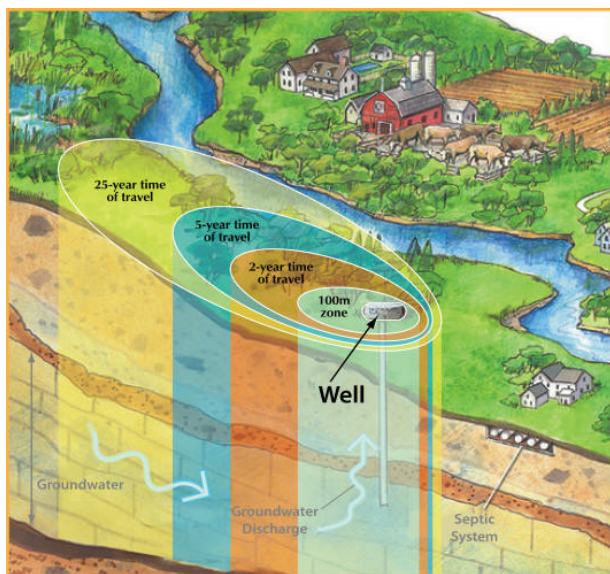
What is the Cataraqui Source Protection Plan?

The Cataraqui Source Protection Plan (the Plan) is made under the *Clean Water Act, 2006* to direct local efforts to keep sources of drinking water clean and plentiful.

What is a wellhead protection area?

A wellhead is the physical part of the well that sits above the ground. A Wellhead Protection Area (WHPA) is the area around the wellhead that contributes source water to a drinking water system (i.e. municipal wells).

WHPAs show where groundwater is coming from to supply a municipal well, and how fast water is travelling through the aquifer toward the well. A WHPA is made up of different sized and spherical shaped zones around the municipal well (see image below).



Does the short-term storage of waste on my property pose a risk to the drinking water supply?

Even small amounts of certain types of waste could pollute sources of drinking water. Particular spent chemicals, residues in empty containers/on container liners and other products that contain harmful chemicals that can leach out must be properly managed at businesses and facilities. Examples of these are small amounts of liquid industrial or hazardous wastes include waste oil, spent batteries, metal plating and spent photofinishing chemicals.

How am I affected by the Plan?

Some activities have the *potential* to harm the quality or quantity of drinking water, and are known as drinking water threats. In vulnerable areas, properties with a significant drinking water threat are required to manage the risk associated with the activity of concern.

Businesses and facilities in wellhead protection areas in the zones closest to the municipal wellhead might be required to negotiate a risk management plan (RMP) if they participate in the short-term storage of some wastes where they are generated. An RMP is an agreement which outlines how a drinking water threat activity is managed on a specific property.

Part IV of the *Clean Water Act, 2006*

Part IV of the *Clean Water Act, 2006* assists with the regulation of existing and future activities that are significant drinking water threats.

Part IV policies apply to drinking water sources that have been identified as more vulnerable, where significant drinking water threats can exist. Under Part IV, significant drinking water threat activities are managed through prohibition, **risk management plans**, and restricted land uses:

- Section 57: Prohibition
 - Ensures that certain activities never become established.
- **Section 58: Risk Management Plans**
 - **Manages existing and future activities through best management practices.**
- Section 59: Restricted Land Use
 - Flags specific land uses that are or may be associated with activities that could be prohibited or require a risk management plan.

Under Part IV of the *Clean Water Act*, you have certain rights and responsibilities. For more information, please refer to the Cataraqui Source Protection Plan Part IV Primer, under the 'resources' tab of our website www.cleanwatercataraqui.ca.