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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST WANTED!

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The Nickel District Conservation Authority (NDCA) is accepting expressions of interest for the position of Chair of the Source Protection Committee. We are currently compiling a list of potential candidates as the *Clean Water Act* is expected to be proclaimed by the Ontario Government by July 2007. The position of chair will be key in overseeing the development of the Drinking Water Source Protection Plan. The Chair person will have a very important role in bringing the Source Protection Committee members together and moving the process forward. Stay tuned for more details about the formation of the Source Protection Committee. We will be looking to fill 9 positions:

- Three to represent interests of industrial, commercial and agricultural sectors;
- Three to represent other interests, such as the general public, non-governmental organizations, academics and professionals.

In addition to these six positions, the City of Greater Sudbury will select three municipal representatives to sit on the Committee. If you, or someone you know

may be interested in the chair position please visit:
www.nickeldistrict.ca
or call 705-674-5249
Deadline to apply is June 20, 2007.



NEW STAFF

We would like to welcome Jamie Dumoulin, our new GIS Specialist, who joined the Drinking Water Source Protection Team in May. Jamie brings varied work experience in GIS applications, mapping and data management. We thank Roch Duval for all his hard work and wish him well with his new job at ESRI Canada. A warm welcome to Stacey Greene our summer student who will be working with us till August 2007. Stacey is a recent graduate of the Ecosystem Management Program at Sir Sandford Fleming College.💧

Did You KNOW?

- 💧 It takes 147,956 litres of water to manufacture a new car including the tires.



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OUR APRIL WINNERS!

We would like to thank *Frank T Ross Company Ltd.* that donated four Nature Clean gift baskets (valued at \$125 each) of environmentally friendly water safe, non-toxic cleaning products. Our winners from the Public Information Sessions and the Earth Day Festival held in April are:

- Marie Beschamp in Capreol
- Cyrill Guy in Hanmer
- Dina Rowe in Dowling
- Erin Ziminski in Sudbury

The Earth Day Festival held on April 22nd was even greener than last year's event with over 5000 people in attendance! Sharon & Nathalie gave out 200 free samples of *Nature Clean Water Safe Laundry Detergent* to all those who completed our Earth Day Survey. These products can be bought locally at YIG, IGA and Health food stores in town. For more information visit: www.franktross.com.

THE SURVEY SAYS...

We had 170 people fill out our Source Water Protection Survey at the Earth Day Festival and the results are in.

- 57% of respondents drink their tap water
- 48% of respondents do not use an additional filter
- 73% said they were very concerned with protecting sources of drinking water.

The top five listed concerns considered to be most threatening to our drinking water supply were:

- Gas or oil spills
 - Pesticides
 - Air Pollution
 - Industry and Fertilizers
- Other concerns included Prescription Drugs & road salt applications.

The top seven concerns about personal activities affecting our sources of drinking water:

- Recreational Activities including Motor Boating, Seadoing, Snowmobiling, ATVing
- Ice fishing, Fishing & Camping

Other activities or concern included leaking septic and sewage systems.

When asked if people would be willing to limit certain activities to protect sources of drinking water:

- 34 people said they would limit the use pesticides,
- 29 said boating activities
- 21 said fertilizer use
- 18 said reduce driving
- 15 said road salt application

FIND US AT NLFB

Come see us at the Northern Lights Festival Boréal in the Greenville Section. Nathalie will be giving a presentation and we will have a booth on Saturday July 7th and Sunday July 8th from 10am-5pm.

WORLD OF WATER WORKS

In May, our staff had an eye opening experience with the wonderful world of water works. We took a tour of the Kelly Lake Waste Water Treatment Plant and the David Street Water Treatment plant. We saw first hand how waste water and raw water are treated. We gained an appreciation of how much energy and water is used daily to treat water from the source and get it to our taps and then treat it back again! (Left to Right)Nathalie, Jamie, Sharon & Judy in front of the David St Water Treatment Plant.



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