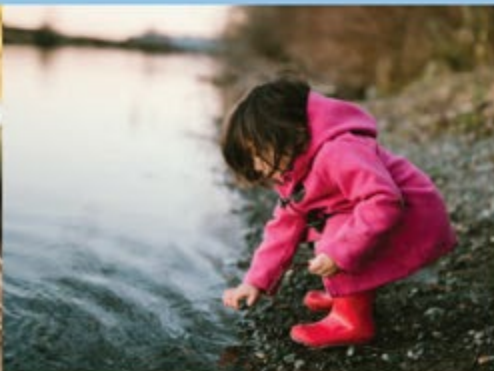
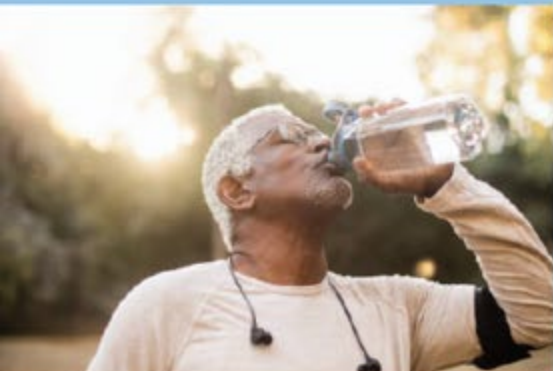


Proposed Revision to Policy FUEL-4

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Presentation outline

- Issues with current policy
- Proposed amendment
- Outstanding questions



Current FUEL-4 Policy

- Policy FUEL-4 states that:
 - municipalities shall develop a by-law to require the removal of fuel tanks from abandoned properties within 1 year of known abandonment, and unused tanks from occupied properties once no longer in use within vulnerable areas where the handling and storage of fuel is or would be a significant drinking water threat.

Issues with the policy

- Poor implementation rate across the source protection region
- Unclear how a bylaw would work
 - How will staff know a fuel tank is abandoned?
 - Confusion about enforcement roles of bylaw officers vs Risk Management Officials (RMO) – not all RMOs are in-house
- Push back on creating a bylaw because it is unclear how it would function for some municipalities

Proposal from S.36 Pre-Consultation

- Staff at the City of Barrie proposed amending the policy to replace 'develop a bylaw' with 'develop a process.'
- This way municipalities who has not been able to get traction on creating a bylaw can find a process that would work for them locally to locate and manage threats, instead of a perpetually not implemented policy

Potential Items for Discussion

- What would this 'process' potentially look like?
- How would the committee and the ministry evaluate implementation?



Proposed policy revision draft wording

- FUEL-4:
- Municipalities shall develop a [REMOVE] ~~by-law~~ [ADD] **process** to require the removal of fuel tanks from abandoned properties within 1 year of known abandonment, and unused tanks from occupied properties once no longer in use within vulnerable areas where the handling and storage of fuel is or would be a significant drinking water threat.

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