

**MADAWASKA RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT REVIEW  
STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)  
Meeting #61, Thursday, December 4, 2014, 5:30 pm  
OPG/Eastern Operations Board Room, Renfrew Office**

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Attendance:

SAC: Steve Roy, Carole Workman (by phone), Damian Hanel, Roelf Beukens, Brian Moran, Dan White

MNR: Jeremy Jones

OPG: Don Ferko, Jerry Lapierre, Jennifer Gardiner

Regrets: Lyle Stewart

1. Call to order
  - Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:00 p.m.
2. Final Prioritization of Information Needs
  - 7.2.4.3 – Information on Walleye Downstream from Palmer Rapids to Griffith
    - SAC voted to remove this Information Need
  - 7.2.10.1 – Effect of Fluctuations in Water Flows on Fish Populations
    - SAC voted to keep this Information Need as high priority
  - 7.2.8.9 – Stewartville Flow to Rule Curve
    - MNR has sent response letter to Steve Roy. Remaining SAC members should receive copies by end of December 2014
    - This Information Need is related to 7.2.8.10 (Baitfish)
    - SAC voted to keep this Information Need as high priority
  - 7.5.1– Waba Creek: Minimum Flow
    - Issue was not looked at in 2014 because of high flows, but is on the plan to be reviewed in 2015
    - SAC voted to keep this Information Need as medium priority
  - 7.2.7.6 – State of Grassy Bay Herps
    - SAC voted to keep this Information Need as medium priority
  - 7.1.1.2 – Palmer Rapids Dam Minimum Flow Requirement
    - SAC voted to keep this Information Need as medium priority
  - 7.1.7 – Review operation of Baptiste Lake
    - SAC votes to keep this Information Need as low priority
  - 7.2.1.2 – Hydraulic Conditions – Rapids near the Town of Madawaska
    - Currently a low priority but work is planned in 2015. SAC has suggested medium priority work (7.1.12) be given priority over 7.2.1.2
    - Don Ferko has agreed to change the schedule

- 7.2.8.1 – Calabogie Gate Position
  - Work is scheduled for 2015
  - Information Need will remain low priority
  
- 7.1.10 – Degree Growing Days During Walleye Incubation Period
  - Information need will remain as low
  
- 7.2.8.10 – Stewartville Bass and Baitfish
  - Information Need is complete

New Needs:

- Madawaska Water Temperatures
  - Tests have been conducted since 2012 and work will continue
- Review Kamaniskeg Lake Summer Limits
  - MNR is driving this Information Need
  - Work will continue in 2015

Ongoing Needs:

- 7.2.8.7– Assessment of the South Channel Spawning Shoals and Determination of Backwater Effect of Stewartville GS
  - Group would like to see this work trump low priority work that is scheduled for 2015/16. Don Ferko is agreeable to reworking the scheduling.
  
- 7.2.1– Periodic Angler Creel Surveys
  - SAC votes to move this to a low priority
  
- 5.2.9.1 – Fish Populations in Madawaska Lake
  - See action items
  
- 7.1.4 – Visitor’s Summary
  - SAC votes to remove this Information Need

3. Date of next meeting

- April 16, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

4. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

