

Wellhead Protection Areas (WHPAs)

A (WHPA – A) or 100 metre zone around the municipal well

B (WHPA – B) or 2-year time of travel for water to the municipal well

C (WHPA – C) or 5-year time of travel for water to the municipal well

Your Application and Drinking Water Source Protection

What should I do if my application is affected by source protection plans?

If your planning or building proposal is located anywhere within wellhead protection area A, B, or C you must complete a Restricted Land Use Screening Form and submit it to your local Risk Management Official. Your municipal staff will help you locate your property on source protection mapping.

The Ausable Bayfield or Maitland Valley Source Protection Plans include policies made by a local Source Protection Committee to ensure that certain activities, that have the potential to harm municipal drinking water quality, are risk managed through a Risk Management Plan or are prohibited. The Risk Management Official will review your form and determine whether source protection policies apply before your application can proceed.

What happens once I've submitted the form to the Risk Management Office?

The Risk Management Official will examine your proposed development to determine if the associated activity (or activities) is/are prohibited or if it requires a risk management plan under the MV or AB Source Protection Plans. The Risk Management Official may call you to gather more information. Within 10 business days after receiving the Screening Form, the Risk Management Official will issue a Notice or letter. The municipality will also be provided with copies of this correspondence. If you rent the property, the landowner will also receive a copy.

Notice or letter	What it means
The proposal does not require a Risk Management Plan and /or no part of the proposal is prohibited	You now have the word from the Risk Management Official that there are no requirements under the <i>Clean Water Act</i> and you can continue to work with the municipality on your application.
A Risk Management Plan is required and one is already in place	If modifications to the plan are not necessary, you now have the word from the Risk Management Official that there are no requirements under the <i>Clean Water Act</i> and you can continue to work with the municipality on your application.
A Risk Management Plan is required	You must work with the Risk Management Official to negotiate a Risk Management Plan before continuing with your planning or building application
The Proposal involves activities prohibited by the AB and/or MV Source Protection Plans	Your proposal cannot proceed as outlined. (Are there ways for you to modify your proposal that don't involve activities that are significant threats to municipal drinking water?)

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