

June 21, 2016

Adelaide Metcalfe

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Bluewater

Central Huron

Dear Mrs. Purvis:

Huron East

I understand that you were at the June 6, 2016 meeting of the Municipality of Bluewater Council and listened to our presentation on “*Determination of Risk for Structures Within the Unstable Bluff Slope Area along the Lake Huron Shoreline*” and would like some clarification on a few points that were mentioned.

Lambton Shores

Lucan Biddulph

It was mentioned that our Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) update was using the same consultants as were used for a similar plan in Elgin County. This in fact is not the case as the Elgin County Shoreline Management Plan on Lake Erie was completed by W.F. Baird and Associates, Coastal Engineers Ltd. and the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority SMP Update is being done by a consulting team from Planning Solutions Inc. and Aqua Solutions 5 Inc., and also includes coastal geomorphologist Dr. Robin Davidson Arnott. The Lake Erie study used Terraprobe Inc., for some limited geotechnical work, and this same consultant would be used by ABCA for any geotechnical specific work.

Middlesex Centre

North Middlesex

Perth South

South Huron

Warwick

West Perth

It was also suggested by a councillor that the Steering Committee had voted unanimously in favour of doing Option 2A of our presentation which was the communication and awareness, (including a press release and development of an “Early Warning” fact sheet). The minutes from the Steering Committee meeting reflect that only two individuals voted for option 2A as a standalone response. However, those that voted for Option 3 – were voting for the detailed consultant assessment proposed by Terraprobe Inc. plus the other options including 2A.

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It was stated that the consultants for the SMP Update Project also spoke at the recent Annual General meeting of the BSRA, In fact the SMP consulting team did not speak at this meeting. The speaker was Lynne Peterson who is completing a study on Huron County Extreme Lake Levels Integrated Assessment funded by the Graham Sustainability Institute of the University of Michigan and sponsored by the University of Toronto's Ecological Modelling Lab. This study is not associated with the ABCA's SMP update.

If you have any other questions on this matter please contact myself or Alec Scott at our office.

Sincerely,

AUSABLE BAYFIELD CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



Brian Horner, CPA, CA
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

cc: Bluewater Shoreline Residents' Association

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