



**August 5, 2019**

## The Inverhuron Committee

Dear Inverhuron Residents:

We would like to share The Inverhuron Committee's presentation given at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Inverhuron and District Ratepayers Association (IDRA).

### **PRESENTATION TO THE IDRA, August 3, 2019**

The Ontario Power Generation project to build a deep geological repository for the permanent storage of low- and intermediate-level nuclear waste at the Bruce Power site has been through the Environmental Assessment process and was recommended for approval by a Joint Review Panel in May 2017.

A committee of Inverhuron residents has been involved with this project since the fall of 2012, including writing submissions to the Federal Government and engaging with the Joint Review Panel in presentations at two government hearings.

The final report of the Joint Review Panel was submitted to The Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change on May 6, 2017. It is the duty of this Minister to make the final decision regarding this project - the first of its kind in Canada and only the second such project in North America.

The Inverhuron Committee has expressed grave opposition to the project over the past 7 years. As the closest community to the proposed site, we have legitimate concerns about the proximity to Lake Huron, as well as the experimental nature of the project - a similar repository in New Mexico has been fraught with problems, including a closure due to an explosion and fire at the facility.

In addition, we have examined the cost effectiveness of the project and concluded that other legitimate ways to deal with the waste would be considerably less costly and more flexible in terms of reclaiming the waste should further advancements in science occur.

After receiving the report from the Joint Committee, The Honourable Catherine McKenna mandated Ontario Power Generation to consult with the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON) relative to the project.

The Minister indicated that the project would be on hold until this consultation is complete and

that the project would not go forward without the consent of the SON.

A date of December 2019 has been set as a guideline to complete the latter discussions.

The Inverhuron Committee and other concerned parties are awaiting the outcome of these discussions.

The Inverhuron Committee will continue to send updates to those who are interested in the ongoing status of the project. If you would like to be added to the email list or to donate to our cause, please see me or Dale Palin.

Marti McFadzean, Chair, The Inverhuron Committee

## YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED

In order to maintain our activities, The Inverhuron Committee needs sustaining funds to cover insurance, our website and limited expense items.

Recently, the members themselves have been covering these costs.

If you are able to give a donation, we would appreciate your help.

Please donate by mailing a cheque to The Inverhuron Committee, c/o Marti McFadzean, 261 Victoria Street, Tiverton, N0G 2T0. You can also donate by credit card at [www.inverhuroncommittee.ca](http://www.inverhuroncommittee.ca) or by electronic transfer to [theinverhuroncommittee2016@gmail.com](mailto:theinverhuroncommittee2016@gmail.com). The security answer for the transfer is sandcastle.

Please continue to share information on the proposed nuclear dump with elected officials in your area and visit us on Facebook and on our website.

If you wish more information, contact the members of The Inverhuron Committee.

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