



**September 9, 2018**

# The Inverhuron Committee

**Dear Inverhuron Residents:**

Can you believe that summer is already over?!

As we head into fall, we would like to share The Inverhuron Committee's presentation given at the Annual Meeting of the Inverhuron and District Ratepayers Association (IDRA).

## **PRESENTATION TO THE IDRA, SEPTEMBER 1, 2018**

Over the last five years, The Inverhuron Committee has been tracking the Ontario Power Generation project for a nuclear waste repository to be sited at the Bruce Nuclear Power location.

During that time period, there have been two Federal Government Hearings through the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency and many requests for more information from the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, The Honorable Catherine McKenna.

The Inverhuron Committee participated in the two Hearings in 2013 and 2014 and responded to the information, which was provided to the Minister by Ontario Power Generation (OPG).

OPG has maintained their request for the location next to the lake at Bruce Nuclear citing additional transportation costs to move the waste as well as their assessment of the geology of the region.

The Inverhuron Committee, along with other organizations such as Stop the Great Lakes Nuclear Dump, Save our Saugeen Shores and SOS Great Lakes, Greenpeace, Northwatch and others, have seen no new information from the Hearings, or the information provided by OPG, to alter our opinion that this site, directly bordering Lake Huron, is not the location for such a project and, in addition, we are questioning the necessity for such an expensive solution to the nuclear waste issue at this time. There is much discussion around this topic internationally and many countries are looking at other options and new developments in the field that may change our perspective. For example, above ground encased canisters (glass or ceramic) that can be monitored continuously for leaks.

We believe that the nuclear industry is counting on the permanent removal of waste as a key component to the future of nuclear power in Canada. If the waste is an ongoing issue, it

muddies the waters for future expansion and renewal.

Over the course of our work on this project, The Inverhuron Committee has been sending updates via Newsletters 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.

At this time, we would also like to comment very briefly on the Canadian Government's latest plan for nuclear emergencies (PNERP). This latest Plan was distributed in 2017, followed by a comment period. The Inverhuron Committee sent a letter to indicate our concern as to the lack of appropriate shelter for our residents in the face of an emergency. Bruce Power, through our contacts via Eugene Bourgeois has indicated that they are not anticipating the need for a full-fledged evacuation of the area in the face of an emergency. The first response is to shelter in place. Due to the nature of our community - for the most part seasonal non-insulated cottages - we have expressed our concern about this plan. Over the last few years, the IDRA has requested funds to build a more permanent shelter in the Upper Park and this has been denied by all agents. In contrast, the Inverhuron Provincial Park will be evacuated en masse if there is an emergency. Eugene Bourgeois continues to interact with various government officials to push forward these concerns. Eugene will be presenting more information on this topic.

Marti McFadzean, Chair, The Inverhuron Committee

## MUNICIPAL ELECTION - ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

Make your voice heard on October 22, 2018 in the Municipal Elections. If you reside in the municipality of Kincardine, or are the owner or tenant of land there, or the spouse of such owner or tenant and a Canadian citizen, you need to exercise your right to vote in this election.

The first step is to make certain that your name is on the Voters' list.

For more details and how to add your name, check out the Municipality's website at [www.kincardine.net](http://www.kincardine.net).

If you are no longer at the cottage, you can mail the revision form (on the website) plus two certified copies of your identification to the municipality.

For more information, contact the Municipal Administration Centre Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at 519-396-3468 ext. 7113.

## 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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