# An Information Booklet for Municipalities



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### Introduction

This booklet was written to provide contact names and telephone numbers to obtain information on water resources. It also includes information on the new Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network. In addition, we have also provided people to contact if municipalities are interested in pursuing groundwater management studies and infrastructure investments.

### How to get information on local surface water quality...

The Provincial Water Quality Monitoring Network receives samples throughout the year. The amount of information on a catchment area will vary depending on location. For example, there will more data available for Southern Ontario tributaries and the Great Lakes than for Northern Ontario catchments.

 Call the Ministry of the Environment, Monitoring and Reporting Branch in Toronto (416)235-6300

CENTRAL REGION	EASTERN REGION
Central Region Office	Kingston Regional Office
Toll free: 1-800-810-8048	Toll free for area codes
Tel: (416) 326-6700	613/705/905: 1-800-267-
	0974
	Tel: (613) 549-4000
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SOUTHWESTERN	
REGION	
London Regional Office	
Toll free number from area	
code 519: 1-800-265-7672	
Tel: (519) 873-5000	
	Central Region Office Toll free: 1-800-810-8048 Tel: (416) 326-6700 SOUTHWESTERN REGION London Regional Office Toll free number from area code 519: 1-800-265-7672

2) Call the MOE regional offices:

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## 3) Call your local Conservation Authority: Table of Conservation Authority Telephone Numbers

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (519) 235-2610	Crowe Valley Conservation Authority (613) 472-3137	Kawartha Conservation Authority (705) 328-2271	Lower Trent Conservation Authority (613) 394-4829	North Bay- Mattawa Conservation Authority (705) 474 5420	Saugeen Conservation Authority (519) 364-1255
Catarqui Region Conservation Authority (613) 546-4228	Essex Region Conservation Authority (519) 776-5209	Kettle Creek Conservation Authority (519) 631-1270	Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (519) 335-3557	Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (705) 424-1479	Sault Ste Marie Region Conservation Authority (705) 946-8539
Catfish Creek Conservation Authority (519) 773-9037	Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority (905) 885-8173	Lakehead Region Conservation Authority (807) 344-5857	Mattagami Region Conservation Authority (705) 264-5309	Otonabee Conservation Authority (705) 745-5791	South Nation Conservation Authority (613) 984-2948
Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (905) 579-0411	Grand River Conservation Authority (519) 621-2761	Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (905) 895-1281	Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (613) 259-2421	Quinte Conservation (613) 968-3434	St. Clair Region Conservation Authority (519) 245-3710
Conservation Halton (905) 336-1158	Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (519) 376-3076	Long Point Region Conservation Authority (519) 428-4623	Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (905) 788-3135	Raisin Region Conservation Authority (613) 938-3611	Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (416) 661-6600
Credit Valley Conservation Authority 1-800-668- 5557	Hamilton Region Conservation Authority (905) 525-2181	Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority (519) 354-7310	Nickel District Conservation Authority (705) 674-5249	Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (613) 692-3571	Upper Thames River Conservation Authority (519) 451-2800

How to get information on the new Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network...

1) Contact Jim Clifford, Project Manager of the Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network by: phone: 416-235-6199 fax: 416-235-5960 e-mail jim.clifford@ene.gov.on.ca

2) Because the Conservation Authorities act as the laisons between the municipalities and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, it may be useful to contact the Conservation Authorities as well. See Conservation Authorities List.

### How to find funding for groundwater management studies...

1) Write a letter to the Minster of the Environment stating that you want funding for a groundwater management study. Let the government know that municipalities are concerned over groundwater resources.

Hon. Elizabeth Witmer 135 St. Clair Avenue W. Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

2) Unfortunately, funding through the Provincial Water Protection Fund is no longer available.

3) Round 1 of the OSTAR program that did have for groundwater studies has passed, but municipalities should be on the alert as to what the priorities are for Round 2 funding. 1-866-306-7826

### How to find funding for infrastructure investment...

1) The OSTAR program was set up for small municipalities to get funding for capital costs of new infrastructure. However, Round 1 has already passed, which includes funding for water, wastewater, and transportation infrastructures, and Superbuild does not know when Round 2 will be announced and whether the priorities will remain with water. However, it may be useful to contact them in the future for any new initiatives. 1-866-306-7827