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## **PETER KRAUSE RE-ELECTED AS CHAIR OF CONSERVATION ONTARIO**



NEWMARKET, Ontario - Peter Krause has been re-elected chair of Conservation Ontario, the organization representing Ontario's 36 Conservation Authorities. Mr. Krause is also the Chair of the Grand River Conservation Authority.

Krause has held the position of Chair of Conservation Ontario since 2001. He was acclaimed to a one-year term at the Conservation Ontario annual meeting in April.

As chair of Conservation Ontario, Krause has represented Conservation Ontario on several provincially-appointed committees including the Nutrient Management Advisory Committee and the Source Water Protection Implementation Committee.

Krause said source water protection will continue to be a major issue for conservation authorities in the coming year.

"We are working closely with the provincial government, municipalities and others to help develop a process that will identify and reduce the threats to our drinking water supplies," Krause said. The provincial government has provided money to Conservation Authorities to help them conduct research and studies that will serve as the foundation for source protection planning.

Dealing with growth will be another major issue for conservation authorities, he said. Studies on growth must take into account the impact of increased demand for water, as well as the impact on rivers and lakes of increased flows from sewage treatment plants.

“Just as we are looking at source protection planning from a watershed perspective, we should be looking at growth issues from the same perspective,” said Krause. “They are really two sides of the same coin.”

Krause has been a member of the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) since 1986. He was elected vice-chairman in 1995 and chairman in 1998.

Krause is a pension and benefits consultant, specializing in corporate benefits to private and public sector companies. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto, with a Bachelor of Arts in urban planning.

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