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Item No. 14.6.2

Request for Council's Consideration			
X **Included on Agenda** (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Thursday)	☐ **Added Item** (Submitted to Municipal Clerk's Office by Noon Monday)		☐ **Request from the Floor**

Date of Council Meeting: November 8, 2016

Subject: Reinstating of the former lake monitoring & sampling program

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Motion for Council to Consider:

That Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to consider the reinstating of the former lake monitoring & sampling program, undertaken by both HEMDCC and HRC

Reason:

In the P&D portion of the 16/17 corporate business plan there are six deliverables listed in a table. The text of the fifth of these items is as follows:

> **Watershed / Water Quality Program Work Plan Development**
> To support detail planning, develop a 3-year watershed / water quality work plan, based on outcomes of the corporate watershed studies and water quality monitoring programs. This will include opportunities for collaboration with the Province for LiDAR and other information sources.

In addition, I wish to refer you to prior consideration of reinstating the former corporate monitoring program, undertaken by both HEMDCC and HRC. A presentation at HEMDCC for the Lake Echo watershed Servicing study in April 2013, recommended that HRC explore the reinstatement of the Lakes Water Quality Sampling Program in order to facilitate efforts to protect the water resources of the municipality.

A staff report dated July 9th was presented to HRC on August 6th. Council moved that the CAO direct staff to explore the reinstatement proposed by HEMDCC.

Pursuant to HRC direction, a subsequent staff (information) report was presented to HRC on December 3, 2013. It was not added to the agenda and to my knowledge the subject has not since been addressed, The foundation for good decision making is having good data.

Outcome Sought:

Recommendation from staff to a 3-year watershed / water quality work plan, based on outcomes of the corporate watershed studies and water quality monitoring programs

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