

Committee: **The Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC)**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Sarah Peirce**

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Occupation: **PhD Graduate Student**

Work experience: **I have done several field work projects related to hydrology and geomorphology in an academic and research setting at the University of Guelph and Western University.**

Education: **I am a graduate student in the Department of Geography at Western University, with specializations in fluvial geomorphology and hydrology. I also have a Bachelors of Arts and Sciences with specializations in Geography and Molecular Biology& Genetics. I have completed the Canadian Aquatic Biomonitoring Network (CABIN) data/field technician training.**

Skills: **I believe my unique background in geography and genetics allows me to understand many topics related to both the environment and ecology. My knowledge of hydrology and geomorphology may be especially valuable when considering impact studies and environmental assessments related to wetlands and water courses. Additionally, my background in genetics is founded on knowledge from biology, biochemistry and chemistry which may serve useful when considering ecological impacts of EEPAC projects.**

Interest reason: **I believe that joining this committee will be a valuable learning experience for me. It would allow me expand my experience from strictly academic and research related projects to more community and consulting based projects. Furthermore, I appreciate that the City of London has developed this committee for the purposes of managing the environment and ecologically sensitive areas and since these issues are important to me, I would like to be involved.**

Contributions: **I believe that given my background I can provide a helpful perspective on issues related to the environment.**

Past contributions:

Interpersonal: **I am currently the co-president of my graduate student body, in which I organize several sub-committees. This allows me to work with many different students and faculty to address complex problems related to graduate student affairs. Additionally, I am a graduate student representative on two departmental councils in which I am responsible for addressing graduate student concerns to faculty and staff of the Geography Department at Western University. These positions allow me to respectfully address graduate student concerns in a committee setting. In the past I was a team captain for a varsity track and field team. In this position I had the opportunity to act as a leader and motivator to my peers.**

Interview interest: **Yes**