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Valley to be subject of film

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The St. Clair River and Chemical Valley will be the focus of a documentary scheduled to be filmed concerning

A producer for F&B in Oakland, Calif., contacted Wallaceburg, Ohio, Chris Gordon and Wallaceburg Advisory Team for a Clader Habitat videographer woman Kris Lee regarding the production.

"She wants to do a story on Sarnia and the area," said Lee, who met with Pamela Calvert, a producer at The Working Group Media Productions, last month.

Although Lee is uncertain of the extent of the documentary, she said they had an extensive off-camera dialogue regarding Sarnia-based industry.

"It's not just on spills," said the Wallaceburg District Secondary School teacher. "It's about partnerships . . . dynamics and the community down here."

She said Calvert had been in contact with the Anishnawing First Nations near Sarnia, but was not including members of Walpole Island in her documentary.

"I have no idea why," said Lee. "It's up to her who she wants to talk to."

She added that she was impressed by the extent of Calvert's knowledge in relation to the area, noting that many people who live farther than Michigan aren't familiar with area issues or groups such as SWAT.

"She's well informed," Lee said.

"I was impressed with how much she knows."

The Scribers readers had suggested Calvert meet with members of WATCH when she returns to the area later this month.

It will be the producer's third visit to the area regarding the documentary.

Lee said it will not be the last. Over the past few decades, the Chemical Valley has spent tens of millions of dollars on pollution control equipment. One company, Dow Chemical, has completely relocated its operations from the river.