



Cheryl Gallant

Member of Parliament
Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke
Member of Standing Committee on National Defence

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HOUSE OF COMMONS
OTTAWA, CANADA

March 12th, 2012

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Councillor Jim Gibson
Head, Clara and Maria Township
15 Township Hall Dr
Stonecliffe, ON, K0J 2K0

Dear Councillor Gibson,

On February 9th, 2012, the Federal Government issued a Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI), to gauge stakeholder interest in participating in the future of AECL's Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories. The deadline for those submissions is April 2nd, 2012.

It is not a bid solicitation of sale. No final assessment has been made on the future of AECL/Chalk River.

I recognize, as I know you do, the impact any decision would have on Renfrew County and Canada's entire nuclear sector regarding one of our largest employers. Locally, 3,000 direct jobs could be impacted, with many more jobs in the retail and the service sector that depend on the AECL payroll. Of equal concern is the impact that AECL has on the municipal property tax base.

The information that is collected as a result of the RFEOI will play a large part in determining the future of the labs at Chalk River. I need your Council to write to the Honourable Joe Oliver, Minister of Natural Resources, to let him know how important AECL is to the economy of Eastern Ontario. Most importantly, Minister Oliver needs to know that you support Canada's Nuclear Industry and the many benefits it brings to all Canadians.

Minister Oliver's complete mailing address is:

Honourable Joe Oliver, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Natural Resources
162 Confederation Building
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON, K1A 0A6
joe.oliver@parl.gc.ca

Please, copy me on any correspondence to the Minister. Thank-you for supporting the people who work at Chalk River Laboratories

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gallant, M.P.
Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke

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March 1, 2012

Reeve Tammy-Lea Stewart
 Township of Head, Clara & Maria
 15 Township Hall Road
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Dear Reeve Stewart:

Enclosed please find two resolutions in support of the Forest Products Industry, both of which are self explanatory.

Council is asking for your support of these resolutions which have been passed by the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards, and which reflect their commitment to the sustainability of the industry by way of the adoption of a policy to use wood and wood products in municipal construction projects.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly

Lorna Hudder
 Lorna Hudder, CMO, Dipl. M.M.
 CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

LH:cao/ct

Enclosures

cc: All municipalities in Renfrew County

TOWNSHIP OF KILLALOE, HAGARTY AND RICHARDS

Resolution No.: 3

February 21, 2012

Moved by:

John W. Jeffrey

Seconded by:

Stouley Lesoski

WHEREAS the forest products industry is critically important to Ontario's economy; Today over 200,000 working families directly and indirectly rely on the forest sector for their livelihoods. Ontario's forest industry has a positive contribution of \$2.8 billion to our balance of trade on \$19 billion of sales annually.

AND WHEREAS a commitment to build with wood wherever possible, not just single family homes, has the potential to stimulate forest industry innovation and diversification; Ontario represents 42% of Canada's entire non-residential (institutional, commercial and industrial) construction market, equal to \$9.2 billion, and under the current building code there is the opportunity to increase the use of wood used in this sector by four times current levels.

AND WHEREAS other jurisdictions in Canada including British Columbia and Quebec have adopted Wood First policies in support of their regional forest industries;

AND WHEREAS proposed changes to the Ontario Building Code that would permit the use of structural wood products in buildings of 5 and 6 storeys could spur significant growth in Ontario's wood product business; At current prices, assuming a similar pattern of adoption in Ontario that BC saw following changes the BC Building Code, this represents an incremental \$40 million in gross dollar value of lumber production per year for the Ontario economy.

AND WHEREAS cost analyses indicate that mid-rise buildings constructed in wood, with comparable finishes and equal structural features, will cost 5-10% less than similar concrete or steel buildings;

AND WHEREAS support for code changes that have significant potential to increase province-wide use of Ontario wood products directly supports forest industry jobs in Renfrew County;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards reaffirms its commitment to this resolution which encourages municipal construction to use a wood option, a key component of a Wood Culture in Ontario.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards support, in principle and action, the proposed changes to the Ontario Building Code that would allow for structural wood use in buildings up to 6 storeys in height.

Carried: _____

Not Carried: _____

TOWNSHIP OF KILLALOE, HAGARTY AND RICHARDS

Resolution No.:

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February 21, 2012

Moved by:

John Y. Jeffrey

Seconded by:

Stanley Beckwith

WHEREAS the forest products industry is critically important to Canada's economy, employing over 900,000 people and contributing more than any other sector to the national trade balance over the past decade;

AND WHEREAS Canadian Municipalities are committed to community sustainability and to fostering a leading edge forest industry that is globally recognized for its productivity and environmental stewardship;

AND WHEREAS "Building a Wood Culture in Canada", (where 'building with wood' is a key expression of that culture), has the potential to be a catalyst for stimulating forest industry innovation and diversification, creating new markets for value-added wood products, and showcasing the economic and environmental advantages of wood as a construction material;

AND WHEREAS Canada retains 91% of its original forest area, more than any other country in the world, while having had a large and thriving forest products industry for more than 100 years;

AND WEHREAS with 134 million hectares (over 300 million acres) of certified forest, Canada has the largest area of 3rd party independently certified forests (CSA, FSC, SFI) in the world;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards reaffirm its commitment to this resolution Building With a Wood Option, which encourages municipal construction to use a wood option, a key component of a Wood Culture in Canada.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards adopts a "Canada Builds a Wood Culture" policy initiative by:

- a) Establishing policies to stimulate the optimal use of wood in municipally funded capital building projects;
- b) Establishing a policy to equally recognize wood used in building projects, from any of the three sustainable forest management certification systems – **Canadian Standards Association (CSA), Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), and Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI)**.
- c) That any adopted green building rating policy be inclusive to LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental), Green Globe (,a guide for integrating green design principles and an assessment protocol that helps to design a building that will be energy and resource efficient), R2000 (technical standard to increase energy efficiency baseline for new home construction).

Carried:

Not Carried:

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March 15, 2012

Mr. Dave Darch, Public Works & Engineering Director
 County of Renfrew
 9 International Drive
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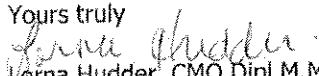
Dear Mr. Darch:

Re: Proposed Transfer of Bridges and Culverts to Lower Tier Municipalities

In regard to the above, please be advised that the Council for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards is strongly opposed to the proposed changes to County policy that would see the transfer of bridges and certain culverts to lower tier municipalities.

All lower tier municipalities who have these structures will be impacted to some degree, and I have attached correspondence from several other municipalities which outline very valid objections to this proposal. Their views on this matter are supported by our Council. The liability and the responsibility for the reconstruction, repair and maintenance of these structures is not financially feasible for lower tier municipalities, as we do not have the ability to collect these additional monies from anyone other than our municipal taxpayers. Council urges County Council to give serious consideration to the added financial burden that this will create for these taxpayers, and to retain the status quo with regard to the bridge and culvert policy for the County of Renfrew.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Yours truly

 Lorna Hudder, CMO, DipI.M.M.
 CAO/Clerk-Treasurer

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Attachments
 cc: All municipalities in Renfrew County

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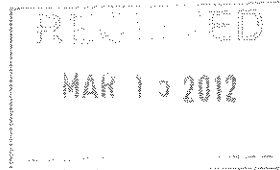


TOWNSHIP OF
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March 13, 2012

Mr. David Darch, Director
Public Works and Engineering
County of Renfrew
9 International Drive
Pembroke ON K8A 6W5



Dear Mr. Darch:

Our Council has discussed the amendments to the County of Renfrew Bridge Policy and offer the following comments.

The County of Renfrew's bridge policy was developed with the principles that in view of the significant costs associated with bridges and major culverts that the financial resources of all constituent municipalities should be used to fund the rehabilitation and replacement of these structures.

The sudden and unexpected download of these structures will place an unfair burden on our Municipality which has the least ability to pay for these structures. If Option No. 2 is approved by County Council, The Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan would immediately be responsible for the rehabilitation and replacement of six bridges and two culverts. We have conservatively estimated that the cost to repair/replace all eight structures would be approximately \$ 1.8 million dollars. Based on the useful life of these structures, we also estimate that within the next five years, two bridges and one culvert will require rehabilitation and replacement.

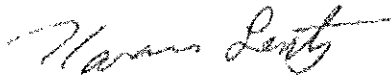
One of these structures is the Addington Road Bridge which was included in the County of Renfrew's 10-Year Capital Plan for rehabilitation in 2012. The County has estimated the cost at \$ 350,000. The repair of this one bridge would exhaust the total compensation amount received from the County of Renfrew for the eight structures. To finance this rehabilitation through taxation would require 58 percent of the total 2011 Municipal Levy and would cause great hardship to our municipality since we have the smallest assessment base in the County of Renfrew. Nor does the municipality have the necessary reserves to fund these unexpected expenditures.

The Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan also does not agree with the County of Renfrew's assessment that the Addington Road Bridge should be included in the list of bridges to be downloaded to the local municipalities. The amended bridge policy includes the principles that bridges and culverts must be located on all-season maintained roadways and must be of "regional significance" servicing the "greater community". The Addington Road Bridge is located on an all-season maintained road which services 41 residences. The Addington Road Bridge is of regional significance and serves the greater community since it provides access to the Lower Madawaska River Provincial Park which attracts paddlers from across Ontario to this area. The park which encompasses the shores on both sides of the Madawaska River from Latchford Bridge to Griffith consists of well-maintained portage trails around all the rapids and 36 campsites.

The Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan feels that the bridge policy should remain unchanged and that we are being penalized for the County of Renfrew's inability to plan for future replacement and maintenance costs for these structures.

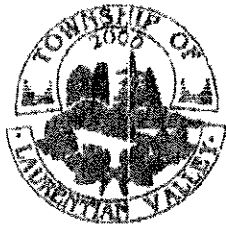
Your re-consideration of this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Norman Lentz
Reeve

cc. Reeve Walter Stack & Council
Mayor David Thompson & Council
Mayor Richard Rabishaw & Council
Warden Bob Sweet & Council
Mayor Peter Emon & Council
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**TOWNSHIP OF LAURENTIAN VALLEY**

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March 12, 2012

Mr. David Darch, Director
Department of Public Works & Engineering
County of Renfrew
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Reference: County Bridge & Culvert Policy

Dear Dave,

The following are the comments of Laurentian Valley with respect to the County Operations Committee recommendation to County Council which details the downloading of 16 culverts and 18 bridges to the lower tier municipalities.

The original intent of the County of Renfrew in assuming the culverts and bridges was to spread the burden of maintenance and/or replacement throughout the entire County membership. The feeling at the time was that no lower tier municipality could assume the load of maintaining or replacing these structures themselves. It made sense at the time, and frankly still does, that this burden be shared by all member municipalities in the County of Renfrew.

The Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley has been advised that we will assume three structures under the proposed download. It is understood that there will be a download of two culverts and one bridge under the policy revision. We further understand that under the proposed policy, the County of Renfrew will transfer an amount of \$50,000.00 against future maintenance & repair costs, or in Laurentian Valley's case a total of \$150,000.00. Our staff estimate that this amount does not come close to the potential costs associated with repairs and maintenance of either the culverts or bridge being downloaded to our municipality. Based on past work done by our Public Works Department on bridges and culverts in the municipality, it is reasonable to assume that these structures will require investments of some \$200,000.00 plus when facing engineering, Fisheries, and potential environmental and "species at risk" assessments.

The current policy whereby all municipalities within the County share in the cost of repairing these structures has worked for many years, and seems to be largely working now. Laurentian Valley Council questions the need for any changes to current practice. In the municipality's view, the County of Renfrew should maintain status quo for these structures, that is County should entertain no change in policy.

The Council of the Township of Laurentian Valley, on behalf of the citizens of our municipality, strongly encourages the County of Renfrew to maintain the status quo for bridges and culverts by

NOT making any changes to the existing policy and by **NOT** downloading any proposed bridges and culverts to the lower tiers.

Thank you for taking the time to request municipal input into this proposed policy change. Council looks forward to being advised that the County has decided to withdraw the proposed policy change and remain status quo with respect to bridges and culverts.

Sincerely,
Township of Laurentian Valley



Jack Wilson
Mayor

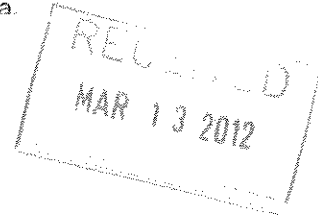
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE
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March 12, 2012

Mr. David Darche PEng
Director
Public Works and Engineering
County of Renfrew
9 International Drive
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Subject: Proposed Transfer of Bridges and Culverts to Lower Tier Municipalities

Dear Mr. Darche,

As we are all now well aware, in 1998 the County of Renfrew chose to approach its lower tier municipalities with the offer to assume responsibility for bridges and all culverts of 10 meters or more and the lower tier municipalities agreed to accept this offer. These structures were in turn officially added to the County's road system in 2001 when it passed By-law 13-01 being "A By-law to Consolidate all By-laws with Respect to Roads and Bridges Included in the County System."

Whatever the rationale was for this offer and decision is irrelevant today. What's important is that it occurred and for the past 14 or so years the County has treated these structures as they have the rest of their similarly-owned structures, not to mention the rest of their capital assets.

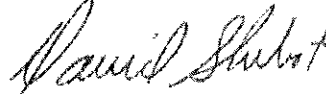
Since then the lower tier municipalities have relied on the County to ensure the inspection, evaluation, maintenance, repair and replacement of these structures as needed and required, as they have any other County-owned asset. At the same time lower tiered municipalities trusted that County officials and staff who were annually receiving levies from lower tier municipalities had established and were annually committing to funds to a schedule for financing these activities, after all that would be the fiscally responsible thing to be doing.

It is however now surprisingly understood that no such financing strategy was ever developed and no monies were committed to address these responsibilities over these last 14 years. As a result, the County is now facing an ominous financial challenge and the lower tier municipalities are being told that the County now wants us to pick up the responsibility for this situation. We do not see this as being either fair, responsible or reasonable.

The suggestion that providing lower tier municipalities with a one-time, flat rate payment of \$50,000 per structure (\$200,000 in our case), in exchange for the assumption of fiscal and legal responsibility of more than \$500,000 (current value) in replacement costs every 25-30 years and the on-going manpower and repair costs is really not worth commenting on at this point, other than to say it would not be a financially responsible offer to even consider for the taxpayers of the Township of Madawaska Valley

Please understand that we see why you are making the recommendation that you are, however we hope that you understand that we owe it to the present and future taxpayers of the Township of Madawaska Valley to inform you that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley continues to be of the opinion that the County should retain ownership of its bridge and culvert structures and continue to be responsible for them. Furthermore, please be advised that no matter what Internal policy modifications are made at the County, the Corporation of the Township of Madawaska Valley has no intention of assuming any new bridge or culvert structures.

Sincerely Yours,



David Shulist
Mayor

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March 8, 2012

Dalton McGuinty, Premier
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Premier McGuinty:

Re: Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Heads and Beds

The Town of Penetanguishene at their Regular Council meeting of February 29th, 2012, approved the following motion:

Whereas in 1970 the rate of provincial payments in lieu of taxes for universities was arbitrarily set at \$25 per full time student; and

Whereas in 1973 that was doubled to \$50 per student and the payment was expanded to include hospitals and provincial correctional institutions; and

Whereas in 1987 that rate was increased by 50%, still without apparent justification, to \$75 per student and bed; and

Whereas that rate has remained constant since that time despite the fact that inflation would in 2012 require an almost doubling the payment (\$146); and

Whereas at least sixty-five communities have called for an increase in payments; and

Whereas heads of universities are supporting that call; and

Whereas Premier McGuinty has looked to the municipalities of the province to be the economic engine of Ontario; and

Whereas the payments in lieu of taxes do not meet the actual costs of municipalities to provide the necessary services for the various institutions, thus placing an unfair tax burden on their property tax payers, thereby jeopardizing a municipality's ability to meet infrastructure demands, and consequently weakening their ability to act as economic engines;



Therefore be it resolved that the Town of Penetanguishene calls on the government of the Province of Ontario to include in the budget now being prepared an increase to the payments in lieu of taxes; and

Further be it resolved that the Town of Penetanguishene calls on the Province of Ontario to meet with the host municipalities for the purpose of reviewing the basis for payments in lieu of taxes, and determining a stable foundation going forward for those payments that meets associated costs prior to the 2013 budget cycle; and

Further be it resolved that copies of this motion be sent to: the Premier Dalton McGuinty; the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance; Garfield Dunlop, MPP for Simcoe North; all Ontario municipalities with any of hospitals, post secondary institutions or provincial correctional institutions; the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM); the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), the Association of Municipal Tax Collectors of Ontario (AMTCO) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

The City of Kingston and other municipalities met with the Minister at the AMO conference in 2011. The Town has also requested on several occasions meetings with the Ministry of Finance to discuss this issue. To date, no progress has been made and the Town is hopeful that you as Premier will be able to ensure that the municipalities are compensated fairly for the services provided to these institutions.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,



Gerry Marshall
Mayor

- c. The Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance
Garfield Dunlop, MPP (Simcoe North)
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
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The following motion concerning the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program was duly passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen at its regular meeting held the 5th day of March, 2012. Council respectfully requests the consideration and support of the following motion from all Municipal Councils in the Province of Ontario:

Whereas predation of livestock by Wildlife is a recognized problem in Ontario as evidenced by the need for the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program; and

Whereas the purpose of the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program is to provide financial assistance to producers whose livestock, poultry or honey bees have been injured or killed as a result of Wildlife; and

Whereas one of the recent changes to the eligibility requirements under the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program is that all applicants must have a valid Farm Business Registration Number (FBR); and

Whereas the change in eligibility requiring a valid FBR is very unfair for those who do not meet the eligibility criteria, such as hobby farmers that do not meet the criteria for a FBR number, those that raise their own meat to support their families, or those that have animals as pets or for pleasure, are now deemed ineligible for reimbursement under the program;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs is asked to reconsider the eligibility requirement that all applicants must have a valid Farm Business Registration Number, with the intent to enable financial assistance similar to the previous program to a wider array of livestock producers whose livestock have been injured or killed as a result of Wildlife; and

FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs; MPP Jeff Leal; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; and all the municipalities in Ontario to request their support.

FROM THE OFFICE OF

- Mayor: Ron Gerow
- CAO: Linda Reed
- Clerk: Glenn Given
- Fire Chief: Ray Haines
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- Economic Development
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Lynn Clark, AMCT
Deputy Clerk

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March 6, 2012

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

**RE: REQUEST FOR MORATORIUM ON WIND TURBINES
FILE NO.: E05.GE**

At a meeting held on March 5, 2012, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #GPA-184-12:

WHEREAS the Ontario Federation of Agriculture which is Ontario's largest farm organization has asked Premier McGuinty and the Provincial government to suspend the building of Industrial Wind Turbines across the province as of January 20, 2012;

WHEREAS dozens of municipalities across this province have repeatedly asked for a moratorium on the construction of Industrial Wind Turbines until questions such as health concerns of people living in proximity to the Industrial Wind Turbines, proper setbacks of Industrial Wind Turbines, devaluation of neighbouring properties, decimation of the rural landscape, and destruction of wildlife habitats are properly studied and addressed;


WHEREAS many of these municipalities have asked for the province to hand back the planning authority of Industrial Wind Turbines, but to no avail; and

WHEREAS the Ontario Auditor General has even tried to explain to this government the serious errors being made under the *Green Energy Act* with regards to more jobs being lost than created, the consumer and taxpayer subsidizing the Industrial Wind Turbine projects to create huge profits for large off-shore companies while making electricity very expensive for the citizens of this province, of the implications of decommissioning Industrial Wind Turbines twenty years from now;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Clarington, along with all other municipalities across this province who share these concerns regarding the damaging and devastating repercussions within our communities, hereby request that the Premier invoke an immediate moratorium of one year, with yearly extensions as required on the construction of Industrial Wind Turbines within the Province of Ontario until the concerns noted above are properly studied and addressed; and

FURTHER THAT this motion be forwarded to AMO, to all municipalities in the Province of Ontario, Premier McGuinty, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Minister of Energy and the Minister of Environment.

Yours truly,



C. Anne Greentree, B.A., CMO
Deputy Clerk

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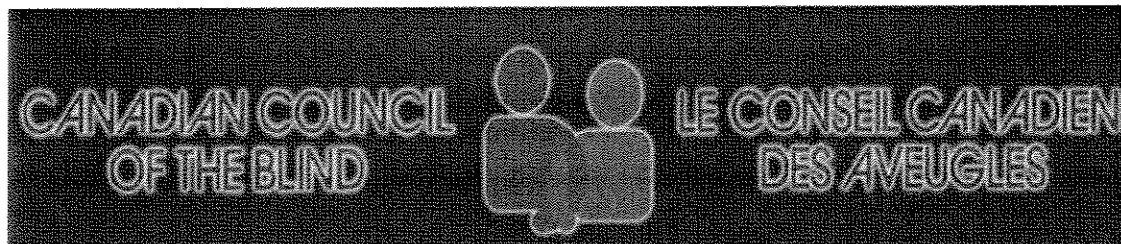
- c. The Honourable Christopher Bentley, Minister of Energy
- The Honourable James J. Bradley, Minister of the Environment
- John O'Toole, M.P.P.
- Jerry Ouellette, M.P.P.
- Christine Elliott, M.P.P.
- Wayne Arthurs, M.P.P.
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario
- All Ontario Municipalities
- D. Crome, Director of Planning Services

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Townships of Head Clara & Maria

From: "Canadian Council of the Blind" <jprowse@ccbnational.net>
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HEALTH VAN FOR EASTERN ONTARIO CANADIAN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND (CCB)

Township of Head, Clara and Maria
15 Township Hall Road
Stonecliffe, Ontario
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Attention: Reeve Tammy Lea Stewart

Dear Reeve,

26% of our **children** are overweight or obese. Our population is **aging**. By the year 2014, **3.5 million** Canadians will have diabetes. Vision loss cost Canadians **\$15.8 billion** a year. Emergency rooms are **overcrowded**, and unnecessary visits are costly.

These are just some of the healthcare issues that Canada faces. The CCB has committed **\$100,000** toward our first Health Van and we are looking for external support to collect the balance of **\$450,000**.

You may wonder why we are asking for your municipality's support, especially when there are other health services immediately available. The mobile van will offer primary health care for heart and stroke, diabetes, hearing and vision assessment, and, most importantly,

information on **illness prevention and general wellness**.

As economist Don Drummond notes, information on prevention of health complications may be more important than building new hospitals. Just think of the van's visit to a school in your area and the impact it can have on students' lifestyles.

All donors will be listed on our **Patrons Plaque** inside the van, and priority for visits will be given to municipalities who participate. A donation, large or small, would be appreciated. Funds are deposited in a restricted-use account designated for the mobile van.

Donations can be made online with a MasterCard or Visa at www.ccbnational.net/mobilevan. You may also mail a cheque to 20 James Street, Suite 100, Ottawa, ON, K2P 0T6 payable to Canadian Council of the Blind.

I thank you for your attention. Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,



Jim Prowse
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TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

February 9, 2012

MOE's Direction to Waste Diversion Ontario

Today, the Honourable Jim Bradley, Minister of the Environment, announced the government's commitment to refocus its attention to the province's waste diversion goals. To get back on track, the government is looking into ways of improving its oversight of Ontario's waste diversion programs so that waste diversion objectives are met and that producers remain responsible for the waste that their products generate.

WDO Governance

The Minister has in principle accepted a proposal to create a new Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) governance structure. The Ministry will be providing a proposed amendment to the operating agreement that would implement a new WDO governance structure. An agreement is to be finalized and approved by the Minister in the coming weeks. This will allow for the transition to a new Board and its members being appointed at WDO's annual general meeting in April 2012. AMO, made a submission and has previously discussed this matter with MOE.

In addition to the governance restructuring of WDO, the Minister, today, has provided several policy directives under section 7 of the *Waste Diversion Act, 2002* to WDO. Directives include:

1) Full Cost Recovery

On February 9, 2012, a regulation was made under the Act that implements a new fee setting methodology allowing Stewardship Ontario to recover from stewards its full costs related to the operation of the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste Program (MHSW). WDO has been directed to work with Stewardship Ontario to ensure that the delivery of the program avoids the creation of surpluses or deficits that could affect the program's financial sustainability.

In addition, WDO has been directed to work with Ontario Tire Stewardship and Ontario Electronic Stewardship to develop plans to implement a similar cost recovery and accumulated deficit/surplus recovery approach.

2) Program Delivery

To improve program delivery, the Minister has directed WDO to report on the budgetary performance of all Industry Funding Organizations (IFOs) on a quarterly basis as well as implement a monitoring and audit program to review IFOs annual program performance and the achievement of plan targets.

3) Industry Stewardship Plans

WDO will be required to review its policy and procedures on Industry Stewardship Plans (ISP) and consider several matters when reviewing an application or approving an ISP, for example, whether the plan achieves waste diversion targets similar or better than the associated waste diversion program; the fair operation of the plan in the market; and whether the plan ensures accessibility for consumers through its delivery of services. Regular monitoring, auditing and reporting of ISPs will be required.

WDO has been directed to consult with the public on any ISP that it reviews prior to the Board's approval. Under clause 5(i) of the Act, WDO has been directed to submit a report on the review to the Ministry and its proposed policy and procedures on ISPs.

4) Review of Incentive Programs

WDO will be required to undertake separate reviews on the development and implementation of financial incentives that are paid to service providers by Stewardship Ontario under the MHSW program, Ontario Electronic Stewardship under the Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE) program, and Ontario Tire Stewardship under the Used Tires program. These reviews will be conducted and carried out in consultation with Ontario's municipalities and other stakeholders.

The reviews will address whether the development and implementation of financial incentives for these programs affect Ontario's marketplace fairly, whether incentives support the achievement of waste diversion targets and program objectives; an assessment on the impact of the incentive programs on municipalities and waste diversion services, including their accessibility across Ontario; and any other alternatives that IFOs might consider.

These reviews will be carried out in consultation with municipalities and other stakeholders.

AMO will continue to represent the interests of its membership as these various reviews take place. Attached is AMO's Media Release.

Links:

MOE Minister's letter to Waste Diversion Ontario:

<http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/displaynoticecontent.do?noticeId=MTE1ODA5&statusId=MTczMzY1&language=en>

Amendment to Ontario Regulation 542/06:

<http://www.ebr.gov.on.ca/ERS-WEB-External/displaynoticecontent.do?noticeId=MTE1ODA5&statusId=MTczMzY1&language=en>

Contact: Monika Turner, AMO Director of Policy, mturner@amo.on.ca or 416-971-9856 ext. 318

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February 24th, 2012

Honourable Kathleen Wynne
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
17th Floor
777 Bay Street
Toronto ON M5G 2E5

Dear Minister Wynne:

Re: Reforms to the Municipal Elections Act

I am writing on behalf of AMCTO - the Municipal Experts to provide you with our recommended reforms to the Municipal Elections Act (MEA).

As Canada's largest municipal professional association, our 2,200 members – including some 500 members involved in election administration in 97% of the municipalities across the province – bring a wealth of experience - and innovation - to this subject. Our members' work has been recognized internationally and here at home with Elections Ontario and Elections Canada studying our members' alternative vote casting practices. (Notably, our surveying shows 28 Ontario municipalities used internet voting in the 2010 election, up from seven in the 2006 election. We believe that the potential is much greater and are thus suggesting reforms to more easily provide this alternative for electors.)

While our 10 suggestions fit on a little more than one page, we've come to them through considerable deliberation: our diverse Elections Project Team members worked diligently through 2011 to identify the key risks with the current legislation; our Legislative Committee then took this input and shaped it into 10 key suggestions to address these risks; and our Board then carefully reviewed all of this through the lens of our strategic priorities and with an understanding of the many priorities facing your government.

Throughout these deliberations each was mindful that, with this election administration responsibility, our members have been given an important public trust: to protect and advance the integrity of the election process. Where we experience risks to the best interests of electors it is our obligation to suggest reforms to address these risks. We are doing that here.

We were similarly motivated in our earlier submissions on the MEA: last October we urged the ministry to establish a multi stakeholder review group to address issues with the candidate financing rules; and last month we issued a Discussion Paper on improving the Voters' List to better serve electors. We also, at the time we released the Discussion Paper, called for an early

review of the MEA for implications on electors' privacy and to better align the authority of the election administrator with their responsibility so that electors can, without an onerous process, be added to the List and families and friends of a deceased person do not have to go through the painful process of removing their loved ones from the Voters' List.

As you can see - and have no doubt experienced - there are many sensitive issues that arise in the administration of municipal elections. These professional election administrators who are a significant part of our membership – and the municipal and school board electors whose interest as electors these election administrators are charged with protecting - need the help of you, your Cabinet colleagues and the Legislature to make these few, but important modifications to an important aspect of what makes our democracy work effectively.

Finally, a brief note about timing: Normally changes to the MEA and its regulations can be made up to the end of the Legislative session that precedes the beginning of the municipal election year (which would be December 2013 in the case of the next municipal election) without causing additional public and candidate expense and introducing unnecessary complications to effective election administration. However, with our first suggestion regarding improving the likelihood for adoption of alternative voting technologies, in order for this to be operationally effective, there will be a need for additional time for election administrators to undertake the necessary research, notify the public and select an appropriate system. This will especially be the case for those election administrators who would not have earlier considered this option (as the current MEA means the decision rests with the incumbent council). While we will be supporting our members as early as this summer to understand the key considerations in selecting from the various alternative voting methods and suppliers, they will need to know early in 2013 whether they will be granted, as we have suggested here, the authority to make the decision on this matter in order, operationally, to adequately notify their electors and then put in place alternative voting for them.

We are happy to meet with you to discuss any of this in greater detail. Know that Ministry staff will have all the pertinent background from us on the risks with the current legislation that has led us to make these suggestions.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter for our members and electors.

Yours sincerely,



Daniel Gatién, AMCT
President

c.c.

Hon. Laurel Broten, Minister of Education

Gary McNamara, President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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AMCTO's Suggested Reforms to the Municipal Elections Act

1. *Improve the likelihood of municipal electors having newer technologies available for voting and recognize the innovative capacity of municipal clerks by placing the authority for deciding on vote casting and counting methods and advance voting days with an official who is without a conflict of interest on this matter- shifting from the incumbent council to the municipal clerk such authority - and legislate that such authority is to be exercised within a framework of both notice requirements and principles of election administration that should be specified in the Act - as noted in 3 below.*
2. *Clarify that the breadth of the clerk's duties/responsibilities as it relates to election administration are scoped by the obligations enunciated in subsection 11(2) (i.e., prepare for the election; prepare for and conduct a recount; maintain peace and order in connection with the election; report on removal of barriers to accessibility related to election administration.)*
3. *Correct the confusion created by not having the principles of the Act contained within the Act yet providing language that assumes these are in the Act - there are various references in the current Act to the "Principles of the Act" .These principles that have been enunciated in case law should be codified.*
4. *Move the first date on which nominations may be filed from the first day that the municipal office is open in January to the first day that the office is open in June in order to limit risks that candidates may need to withdraw or refile because of other election administration decisions made between those two dates, (e.g., changed ward boundaries, changed areas for school board representation) and to limit risks that incumbent candidates will be perceived as using municipal corporate resources for campaign purposes.*
5. *Leave the nomination filing fee with the municipality rather than returning it to the candidate where a candidate withdraws in order to recognize the earlier take on municipal resources required to support such a candidate with information.*
6. *Clarify the term "tenant" in the MEA to avoid the risks that electors will continue to seek eligibility to vote – or even to run for office- based on "tenancy" of such properties as a cemetery plot, a horse stall or a storage unit.*
7. *End the barriers to prosecution of fraudulent voting by creating a clear, accessible and just process to address such issues.*
8. *Clarify the intent of the legislation regarding a person acting as a voting proxy for more than one other person to make clear how many proxies they may exercise.*

9. *Equalize the ability of candidates to canvass voters occupying property with new forms of ownership arrangements, (e.g., gated communities) in a similar manner as they may access other properties, (e.g., apartment buildings, condominiums.)*

10. *Modernize the MEA in several places, including to permit: (a) use of common types of identification for voting purposes, including identification provided by retirement homes and long term care facilities, the new non driver's license ID or any other form of ID deemed appropriate by the clerk or designate; (b) nomination filing fees to be paid in whatever manner the municipality is equipped to accept as long as it has the same security as cash; (c) more common, timely economical and secure modalities for delivery of documents than registered mail.*

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Monday, October 17, 2011

Mr. Bill Forward
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
17th Floor, 777 Bay St.,
Toronto, Ontario
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Re.: Municipal Election Financing Policy and Legislative Review

Dear Mr. Forward:

As you are no doubt aware, AMCTO has initiated steps, with the assistance of your staff, to arrange for a meeting with your Minister, once appointed. With this in mind, I am writing to you today about a matter that we will be raising with the Minister which we believe would benefit from early action by the incoming government. AMCTO would very much appreciate you preparing the Minister on this item.

Specifically, AMCTO will be asking that the ministry begin as soon as practicable to address fundamental weaknesses that we believe have been exposed in Ontario's municipal election financing policy and laws. This action would not only benefit all who put themselves forward for municipal elected office but would also bolster electors' trust and confidence in them as candidates. In the process, you will also benefit more than 500 of our members who are election administrators and who are feeling an overall detrimental effect on their professional reputation from being part of a system that is perceived as not working effectively.

Aside from these benefits, addressing these matters early on will send a message that the ministry recognizes and takes seriously that

- candidates are struggling with understanding and accepting the current provisions
- the courts and Compliance Audit Committees are consistently not supporting the spirit or the letter of the existing law
- the role of the municipal clerk in this area has been misunderstood, creating confusion about their accountability for the administration of election financing.

To address the issues with the current policy and legislation, AMCTO is asking that the ministry take leadership in this area by establishing a working group to address these issues. AMCTO is certainly prepared to participate in such a working group and believes strongly that responsibility rests with the ministry for ensuring this aspect of the

legislation is working effectively. While we have begun to reach out to some stakeholders, including AMO, to discuss this, others that could be considered for such a working group might include auditors, experienced Compliance Audit Committee members, academics and Elections Ontario officials. It will also be important that the rural voice be heard as a number of issues with the current legislation have arisen in these areas of the province.

AMCTO would anticipate that at a minimum the following key issues would be reviewed and practical solutions developed to address them:

1. The scope of the application of the financial filing requirements, including whether these requirements shouldn't be scaled to the public risk to recognize situations where candidates are acclaimed or raise or spend a nominal dollar amount.
2. The types of penalties which can be assessed, including whether, these too should be scaled to the circumstances not unlike what has been suggested by the Mississauga Judicial Inquiry in the case of violations of conflict of interest rules.
3. The role and nature of Compliance Audit Committees, including their ability to consider the severity of perceived or real violations in determining their actions and whether they should be appointed by an order of government different than the one on whose elected officials they are potentially passing judgement.
4. The court of jurisdiction including whether another court in addition to or instead of the Ontario Court of Justice should be authorized to hear applications for financial statement filing extensions given that lower courts have issued decisions in these areas despite the specificity of the legislation.
5. The role of the municipal clerk in election financing matters including how to ensure the clerk's obligations are interpreted in the context of the clerk's duties set out in subsection 11(2) of the Municipal Elections Act and do not extend beyond these purposes.
6. A range of operational and technical issues including inconsistencies between the forms and the legislation.

This is a very brief initial summary of what we see as very complex issues with municipal election financing. While we have not yet taken an official position on any of these identified matters, once our Municipal Elections Project Team has completed their review we will be bringing forward a broader submission, in early 2012, that will highlight these and a number of other issues that are creating risks to effective election administration and suggestions about the outcomes we consider essential from legislative changes in these areas. We want to highlight the election financing issues now as they are important, complex and involve several stakeholders. Study of them should therefore get under way soon to enable any changes to be made and clearly communicated to all affected parties and ensure that any required support materials are developed well in advance of 2014.

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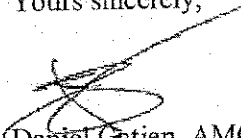
Ministry staff, we understand, received many enquires from candidates about the election financing provisions and will also undoubtedly have other issues they believe need to be addressed. The broader working group we are proposing will also bring important perspectives to this and may well identify other issues as well.

We would emphasize, and hope you would agree, that it is important to have a multi party conversation about these complex issues and not simply take submissions or have discussions with only one stakeholder at a time about them. It is through group conversation that all parties can come to see the various perspectives and collaboratively can suggest solutions to government.

In closing, AMCTO will be impressing upon the Minister that while the law and policy on municipal election financing are admirable in intent and the ministry's willingness to develop training for candidates on the requirements are welcomed, unfortunately, as crafted the law on the matter is not working effectively and no amount of training can remedy the underlying issues.

I trust you will join AMCTO in encouraging the Minister to give serious consideration to our request.

Yours sincerely,



Daniel Gattien, AMCT
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Dear Friends:

Each year, the Government of Ontario celebrates the accomplishments and contributions many of our wonderful seniors make to communities across Ontario. This year, the Senior Achievement Award will once again highlight the significant voluntary and professional achievements made by individuals after they have reached the age of 65.

I encourage you to participate in the 2012 Senior Achievement Award Program by nominating a deserving senior. As Minister Responsible for Seniors, it will be my great honour this fall to join the Honourable David C. Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, in officially recognizing the award recipients at a ceremony at Queen's Park.

Online nomination forms and information outlining details of the program, the selection criteria and the procedures followed are available at: www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards.

The deadline date for nomination is June 15.

If you require further information, please contact the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat at (416) 314-7526, 1-877-832-8622 or (TTY) 416 327-2391.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to consider putting forward the name of a special senior in your community for a Senior Achievement Award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda Jeffrey".

Linda Jeffrey
Minister

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I am writing to let you know about an upcoming event for Hospice Renfrew...the 6th annual **Hike for Hospice**. Hike for Hospice is a national event held every year on the first Sunday in May. This is the major fundraiser for our local Hospice and our goal this year is to raise \$50,000. All money raised stays in our community to directly offset operational costs of the hospice and allow us to continue to provide comprehensive end-of-life care to people across Renfrew County, completely free of charge.

This year the theme is "IT TAKES A TEAM" and we are inviting businesses, service clubs, schools, churches and families to raise money and hike as a team. We are hoping to have sponsorship from the business community to promote this event.

Along with this letter is a poster as well as sponsorship information for you to consider.

Last year we had close to 300 people take part in the Hike and we expect even more participants this year. It's a great day for friends, families and community groups to get some fresh air and exercise while raising money for a very important cause.

Should you need more information or to discuss further, please don't hesitate to contact Hospice Renfrew 613-433-3993 or www.hospicerenfrew.ca

I thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your support!

Sincerely,

Connie Legg, Board Chair

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Hospice Renfrew is planning the 6th annual Hike for Hospice on Sunday May 6th. Hike for Hospice is a national fundraising event designed to raise funds and public awareness for Hospice Palliative Care. 100% of the funds raised will remain in the community to support the services provided at Hospice Renfrew.

We are inviting you to step forward as a supporter of Hospice Renfrew and become a sponsor for this very special fundraising event. Sponsorship levels are as follows:

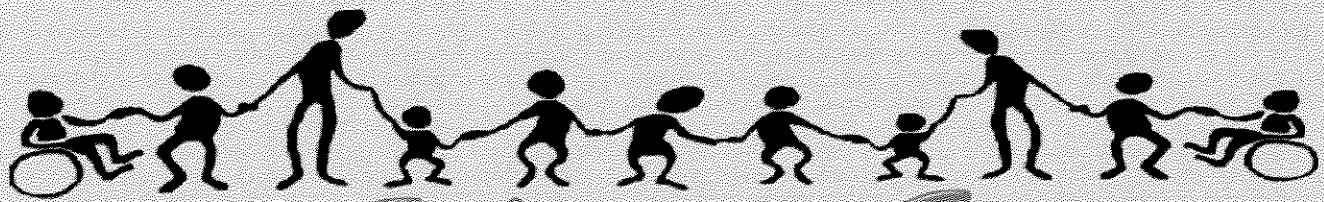
- * **Platinum sponsorship**- advertising on all printed materials, large banner at event, each pledge form and a sign promoting your sponsorship along the hike trail. You will have an opportunity to set up a display on the day of the event. **Investment \$2,000.00**
- * **Gold Sponsorship**- advertising on printed materials, large banner at event, and on each pledge form. **Investment \$1,000.00**
- * **Silver Sponsorship**- advertising on large banner at event and each pledge form at event. **Investment \$500**
- * **Bronze Sponsorship**- advertising on large banner at event. **Investment \$250**
- * **All sponsors will be recognized on our website at www.hikeforhospicerenfrew.ca**

Please confirm sponsorship no later than March 15th 2012.

Registered Tax receipts will be issued to all sponsors.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor please contact Helen McGregor at Hospice Renfrew 613-433-3993 ext 2229 or Connie Legg 613-623-8233.

Hike for Hospice / Hospice Renfrew



It Takes a Team

Join our team for the



Help raise funds to support Hospice Renfrew

Sunday May 6th 1:00 pm
Renfrew Presbyterian Church
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Form a team to celebrate your family, workplace, school,
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Dress in a Team costume....Be Creative!!!

Prizes for

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Pledge forms available at RBC or Hospice Renfrew

Online donations/forms www.hikeforhospicerenfrew.ca

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Dear Mayor, Reeve and Members of Council:

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to participate in the 2012 Senior of the Year Award. This annual award was established in 1994 to give each municipality in Ontario the opportunity to honour one outstanding local senior. The Government of Ontario is proud of this important initiative. You may wish to consider involving local MPPs in your selection process or presentation ceremony.

Recipients are individuals who after age 65 have enriched the social, cultural or civic life of the community without thought of personal or financial gain. A certificate, provided by the Ontario government, is signed by the Honourable David C. Onley, Lieutenant Governor, myself as Minister Responsible for Seniors, and the local Head of Council.

Council may also wish to host a presentation ceremony honouring the Senior of the Year Award recipient in June, when we pay tribute to seniors across Ontario. This year will mark the 28th anniversary of Seniors' Month which recognizes the contributions seniors make to family, community, province and country.

The Ontario Senior of the Year Award nomination forms are available on the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration's website at www.ontario.ca/honoursandawards. Click on the Ontario Senior of the Year Award program, then submit your nomination online by choosing the "Electronic Nomination" option or download the form and fax it to 416 314-6050. Nominations must be received directly from your office by April 30, 2012.

For additional information, please contact the Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat by phone, at 416-314-7526, toll-free at 1-877-832-8622, or TTY 416-327-2391.

Ontario's seniors deserve special recognition for their outstanding accomplishments. By working together, we can ensure they are honoured in a meaningful way.

Sincerely,

Linda Jeffrey
Minister



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**SUBJECT: Approved 2012/2013 Annual Work Schedule
Algonquin Park Forest Management Unit**

Dear Sir/Madam:

The 2012/2013 Annual Work Schedule for the Algonquin Park Forest Management Unit is approved as of March 15, 2012. On the reverse is a copy of the public inspection notice that will be appearing in several newspapers in the vicinity of Algonquin Provincial Park.

Please feel free to contact any of the offices listed in the public notice to discuss Algonquin Park forestry operations for the coming year. Park staff and staff of the Algonquin Forestry Authority would be pleased to go over any details with you.

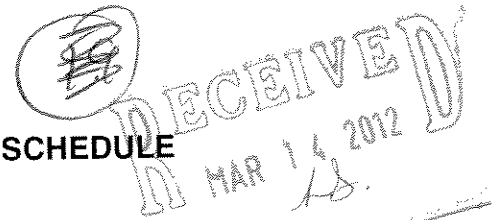
Yours truly,

Jay Nichols
A/Park Superintendent and
District Manager
Algonquin Provincial Park
Ontario Parks

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Inspection

INSPECTION of APPROVED 2012 – 2013 ANNUAL WORK SCHEDULE OTTAWA VALLEY FOREST



The **Pembroke District Office** of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** has reviewed and approved Ottawa Valley Forest Inc. April 1, 2012 – March 31, 2013 annual work schedule (AWS) for the **Ottawa Valley Forest**.

Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the Ottawa Valley Forest Inc. office and the MNR public website at ontario.ca/forestplans beginning **March 16, 2012** and throughout the one year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres at 400 Pembroke Street East, Pembroke, and 316 Plaunt Street South, Renfrew provide access to the internet.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year.

Tree Planting and Fuelwood

Ottawa Valley Forest Inc. is responsible for tree planting on the Ottawa Valley Forest. Please call 613-735-1888 for information regarding tree planting job opportunities.

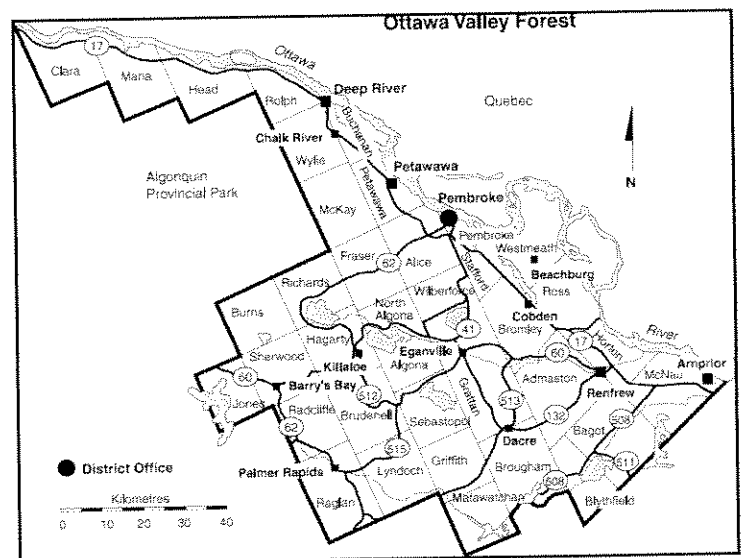
For information on the locations and license requirements for obtaining fuelwood for personal use, please contact Mary Beth Stewart (613-732-5581) or Corrie Steinberg (613-732-5561) at the Pembroke District Office. For commercial fuel wood opportunities; please contact Ottawa Valley Forest Inc.

More Information

For more information on the AWS or to arrange an appointment with MNR staff to discuss the AWS or to request an AWS operations summary map, please contact:

Alison Luke, Area Forester
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Pembroke District Office
31 Riverside Drive
Tel: 613-732-5583
Fax: 613-732- 2972
Office hours between 8:15 and 4:30

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Pembroke, ON
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MNR is collecting your personal information under the authority of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act*. Any personal information you provide (address, name, telephone, etc.) will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Your personal information may be used by the Ministry of Natural Resources to send you further information related to this forest management planning exercise. If you have questions about use of your personal information, please contact Patrick Soulliere at 613-732-5587.

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