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Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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Re: Opposition to Proposed Consolidation of Conservation Authorities

Dear Premier Doug Ford,

We're in receipt of correspondence dated Nov 19, 2025 from the Town of Kingsville, regarding the opposition to proposed consolidation of Conservation Authorities. The Council of the Township of Machar passed the following Resolution at their Regular meeting Dec 15, 2025.

WHEREAS the Conservation Authorities Act, 1990 (the "Act"), originally enacted in 1946, was established to allow municipalities to form conservation authorities that are equipped to develop and deliver local, watershed-based conservation, restoration and natural resource management programs on behalf of the province and municipalities;

AND WHEREAS there are thirty-six (36) conservation authorities in Ontario, each of which is distinct and reflects the unique environmental, geographic and community needs of its watershed;

AND WHEREAS on October 31, 2025, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks announced the Government's intention to introduce legislation which would amend the Act to create the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency and consolidate Ontario's 36 conservation authorities into seven (7) regional conservation authorities.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Machar wishes to formally state that it opposes the consolidation of Ontario's conservation authorities without knowing the full financial and operational impact to municipalities and the conservation authorities.

Sincerely,


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Clerk Administrator

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