

MAJOR CHANGES ARE COMING FOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO IS REDRAWING BOUNDARIES AND CONSOLIDATING AUTHORITIES!

Local Conservation Authorities at Risk

Nearly 80 years after their creation, the Provincial Government are undermining Conservation Authorities.

It started with funding cut and new powers that allow the government to overrule decisions. Now, with Bill 68, they are consolidating 36 agencies into 7.

This will weaken local expertise and flood protections, slow development decisions, and remove local decision making.

They made their intentions clear- but haven't answered the most basic questions on how this will work.

What this Means for Communities

These changes are being rushed with little consultation with communities or consideration for the impact on municipalities, residents or local business owners

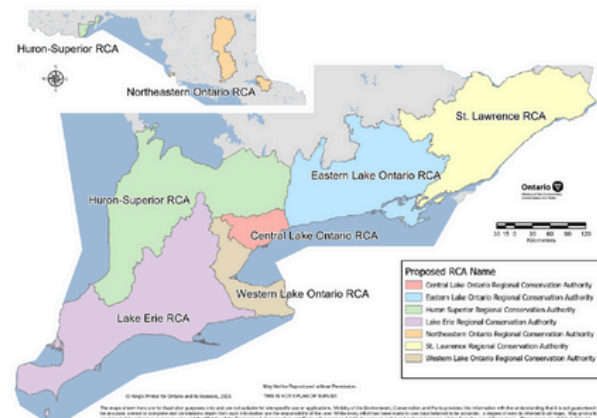
- **Confusion and uncertainty** about development projects
- **Loss of local knowledge** and expertise with fewer technical and field staff covering large geographical areas
- **Risk of cuts** and changes to habitat and agricultural stewardship programs, outdoor education and community tree planting programs, monitoring of our natural resources and more
- **Less protection** for people and property from flooding and natural hazards
- **Less work** to improve on the environment in our communities

The Future of LTVCA

The proposed "Lake Erie Regional Conservation Authority" will amalgamate 8 existing authorities including:

- Lower Thames Valley
- Essex Region
- Upper Thames River
- Long Point Region
- Grand River
- Kettle Creek
- Catfish Creek
- St Clair Region

PROPOSED 7 REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES (RCA)



MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

The comment period is open until **December 22, 2025**

If you are a resident of our 10 member municipalities please comment on the ERO posting!

Scan the QR code below for more information and for a template to respond to the ERO.



What else can you do?

The Provincial Government has yet to reveal a plan for how consolidation will be implemented. Contact your Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) and let them know you want Conservation Authorities to stay LOCAL!

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