

February 3, 2021

Via email: lglazier@westgrey.com

Municipality of West Grey
Attention: Lindsey Glazier, Legislative Coordinator
402813 Grey Road 4
RR 2
Durham, ON
N0G 1R0

Dear Ms. Glazier:

RE: Correspondence – Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on February 2, 2021, and the following was passed.

“Resolution #8(b)/02/02/21

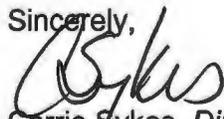
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the resolution from the Municipality of West Grey requesting support to repeal Schedule 8 of Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act, 2020 (Endangered Species Act), dated January 13, 2021;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Municipality of West Grey, Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Finance, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, M.P.P of Parry Sound-Muskoka, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried.”

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,



Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC,*
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.
CS/cw
Encl.

Copy to: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Hon. Norm Miller, M.P.P. for Parry Sound-Muskoka

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities



**Corporation of the
Municipality of West Grey**

402813 Grey Road 4
RR 2 Durham, ON N0G 1R0
519-369-2200

January 13, 2021

Re: Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act

WHEREAS the Ontario Government proposes amendments to the Crown Forest Sustainability Act in Schedule 8 of the Provincial Budget Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act (Budget Measures), 2020;

WHEREAS the Crown Forest Sustainability Act applies to almost two thirds of Ontario's land base which amounts to over 70 million hectares of land that is habitat for many species at risk;

WHEREAS Bill 229 schedule 8 amends the Crown Forest Sustainability Act in order to exempt all forestry operations from mandatory consideration of species at risk protection and recovery as mandated by the Endangered Species Act;

WHEREAS Bill 229 schedule 8 removes the ability to issue orders in circumstances when there is imminent danger to a species at risk;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT West Grey council requests the Province of Ontario repeal schedule 8 of Bill 229 and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

Premier Ford

Minister Philips, Minister of Finance

Minister Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

Minister Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

MPP Bill Walker, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound

MPP Ian Arthur, NDP Environment Critic

Grey County Council
Ontario municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Conservation Ontario
Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Respectfully,

Genevieve Scharback,
Director of Administration / Clerk
Municipality of West Grey