

November 21, 2025

Waterways Protection Office
Ministry of The Environment, Conservation and Parks
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(Submitted online only)

Dear Waterways Protection Office,

RE: Bill 60- Schedule 8 Ontario Water Resources Act, and

ERO 025-0900: Proposal to amend the Ontario Water Resources Act to enable the regulation of additional sewage systems under the Building Code to support construction of on-farm worker housing

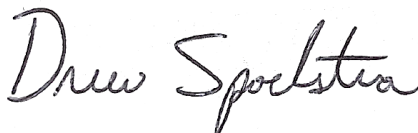
The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is dedicated to ensuring that the agri-food sector and rural communities are considered and consulted with on issues, legislation and regulations that would impact the sustainability and growth of our farm businesses. OFA appreciates this opportunity to provide input on the consultations regarding amendments to the *Ontario Water Resources Act* to enable additional sewage systems that support on-farm worker housing.

OFA is pleased to support this proposal, which has the potential to address a significant and costly inequity currently affecting farmers, while also helping the sector safely reduce barriers to building and maintaining on-farm worker housing.

The overall success of these changes will ultimately depend on the specific amendments made to the building code. We do have recommendations regarding these details and will provide them through submissions to the relevant Environmental Registry of Ontario postings (ERO # 025-0899 and ERO # 025-0872).

OFA appreciates the opportunity to contribute to this important consultation and welcome further engagement as the proposal advances.

Sincerely,



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President

cc: Hon. Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Hon. Trevor Jones, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association (OFVGA)
Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers Association (OGVG)
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OFA Board of Directors

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