



Resolution Approved by County of Brant Council

December 16, 2025

The following resolution was approved by County of Brant Council at its meeting on December 16, 2025:

WHEREAS Council directed staff to bring forward a report outlining the Ontario government's proposed amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act; and

WHEREAS the Province has posted Environmental Registry of Ontario Notice 025-1257 - Proposed Boundaries for the Regional Consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities, seeking feedback from municipalities, Indigenous communities, and other stakeholders on the proposed boundaries and criteria for regional conservation authorities; and

WHEREAS the Province is proposing to consolidate the current 36 conservation authorities into seven regional conservation authorities that align with watershed boundaries; and

WHEREAS conservation authorities play a critical role in watershed management, flood control, and environmental stewardship across Ontario; and

WHEREAS municipalities are key partners in conservation authority programs and funding, and changes to boundaries may affect municipal responsibilities, governance structures, and local representation; and

WHEREAS Boards of Conservation Authorities have governed their respective conservation authorities for decades, tailoring programs and services to local watershed needs, maintaining accountable service standards, and ensuring fair and predictable costs for ratepayers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT RPT-0417-25 - Request for Feedback on the Proposed Regional Consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities be received for information; and

THAT staff be directed to submit RPT-0417-25 as comments in response to Environmental Registry of Ontario Notice 025-1257 posting; and

THAT staff be directed to incorporate any additional feedback provided by Council as comments in response to Environmental Registry of Ontario Notice 025-1257 posting.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolutions, please contact me at 519-442-7268 or spencer.pluck@brant.ca.

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