

Stopping Ontario Government's Bill 66

A movement is underway in the provincial government that will erase sections of several provincial acts aimed at protecting our environment and our water resources. Specifically, the Omnibus Bill 66, tabled on December 6th, if enacted, will remove critical sections of the Clean Water Act, Planning Act and the Great Lakes Protection Act.

Each of these impacts the protection of the water that your family drinks, whether you are on a well or receive water in a Source Water Protection Zone, such as Perth and Smiths Falls, and they also protect the lakes and streams that our community depends on for both our economy and recreation.

Our association does not often ask your help to address political issues. This one has potential for significant and long-term damage to our area lakes and streams. We are not downtown Toronto.

Please consider helping us with one small activity, by signing the *Ontario Nature* letter at: <https://ontarionature.good.do/schedule10/sign/>
Insert your residence address, and the form indicates the MPP to whom the letter will be addressed; then add your name and e-mail address and click "Send". [Note: Your address on this form is used to determine the name and address of the local MPP. If the form does not recognize your address, may we suggest that you use a local Perth address such as Canada Post at 7 Beckwith St E, Perth, ON, K7H 1B2 to ensure that your letter gets sent to local MPP Randy Hillier.]

In public comments over the past months, our MPP has indicated support for such reductions to the protection of our water resources. With your help, the above will deliver a message that our water and environment are simply not for sale.

Friends of the Tay Watershed Association

For more information of this subject, visit the following sites or e-mail us at

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Canadian Environmental Law Association <http://www.cela.ca/12-2018-bulletin>

Environmental Defence <https://environmentaldefence.ca/blog/>

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