December 27, 2019

Honourable Jeff Yurek
Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
College Park 5th Flr, 777 Bay St.
Toronto, Ontario
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Honourable Premier Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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Re: Support Resolution of Conservation Authorities – Township of Stone Mills

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Yurek,

At the December 9, 2019 Stone Mills Township Council meeting, Council passed a resolution in support of the continuation of program support for Conservation Authorities in the Province of Ontario.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement for the continuance of Conservation Authority Support.

Sincerely,

Bryan Brooks
C.A.O/Clerk
Township of Stone Mills

Cc: MPP Daryl Kramp
MP Derek Sloan
Association of Municipalities on Ontario
Quinte Conservation

All Ontario Municipalities
Cataraqui Conservation Authority
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills is committed to planning for and protecting the future sustainability of its resources and environment,

AND WHEREAS the Township of Stone Mills is within the Quinte and Cataraqui Conservation Authority areas,

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario is currently reviewing the mandate and operation of conservation authorities and;

AND WHEREAS Conservation Authorities provide essential services to municipalities in their watersheds and

AND WHEREAS smaller municipalities do not have capacity or the financial resource to employ staff with the technical expertise that conservation authorities provide and

WHEREAS development near watercourses can have significant effects both upstream and downstream

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Township of Stone Mills encourages the province to continue to support the principle of planning on a watershed basis in the on-going review and prioritize the allocation of adequate funding to support the core mandate of conservation authorities.

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Daryl Kramp, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Cataraqui and Quinte Conservation Authorities and all Ontario Municipalities.

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