



**The Town of The Blue Mountains
Council Meeting**

8.13

Title:

Justine Brotherston, Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch

Date:

Monday, July 13, 2026

Time:

6:23 PM

Moved by:

Councillor Maxwell

Seconded by:

Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the June 5, 2026, correspondence from Justine Brotherston, Municipal Clerk, Township of Puslinch, regarding Support for Halton Hill's March 24, 2026 Resolution Regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens;

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide a staff report in response to the resolution regarding invasive species;

AND THAT Council directs staff to circulate this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for consideration and support

YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Deputy Mayor Bordignon Councillor Ardiel
Councillor McKinlay Councillor Porter

Councillor Hope

Councillor Maxwell

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

Mayor Matrosovs



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June 30, 2026

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RE: 6.16 Halton Hills Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on March 24, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2026-202:
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Moved by Councillor Bailey and
Seconded by Councillor Sepulis

That the Consent Agenda item 6.16 be received for information; and

Whereas Council supports the Towns of Halton Hills' resolution;

That Council direct staff to send a support resolution accordingly.

CARRIED



As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk



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June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Halton area MPs and MPPs
Region of Halton
HRFA
OFA
Conservation Halton
Credit Valley Conservation
Grand River Conservation Authority
AMO
ROMA
FCM
Ontario Invasive Plant Council
Landscape Ontario
Canadian Nursery Landscape Association
All Ontario municipalities



TOWN OF
HALTON HILLS

THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded by: Councillor C. Garneau

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately \$50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at \$218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.



Mayor Ann Lawlor



**The Town of The Blue Mountains
Council Meeting**

8.14

Title: Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby
Date: Monday, July 13, 2026
Time: 6:16 PM

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the June 25, 2026, correspondence from Kathryn Douglas, Supervisor, Legislative Services, Town of Whitby, and supports the June 22, 2026 Town of Whitby Council resolution regarding a Review of Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions;

AND THAT Council directs staff to circulate this resolution of support to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for consideration and support

YES: 6

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Deputy Mayor Bordignon	Councillor Ardiel	Councillor Hope	Councillor Maxwell
Councillor McKinlay	Councillor Porter		

NO: 0

ABSENT: 1

Mayor Matrosovs

June 25, 2026

Via Email

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

Re: Review of the Ontario Land Tribunal and Enhancing Deference to Municipal Planning Decisions

Please be advised that at its meeting held on June 22, 2026, the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution # 166-26:

Whereas local councils are elected by residents to make planning decisions that reflect the needs and priorities of their communities;

Whereas municipalities rely on extensive public consultation, professional planning advice, engineering studies, and technical reports when making land-use decisions;

Whereas the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) has the authority to overturn municipal planning decisions, often requiring municipalities to spend significant taxpayer dollars defending decisions that have already undergone a thorough local review process;

Whereas lengthy and costly appeals can delay housing projects, consume municipal resources, and reduce the ability of municipalities to focus on delivering services to residents; and,

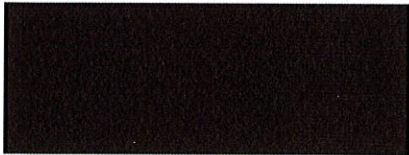
Whereas local governments should have greater certainty and authority when decisions are consistent with approved Official Plans, provincial policies, and sound planning principles.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

1. That the Government of Ontario be requested to review the role and mandate of the Ontario Land Tribunal to ensure greater respect for municipal planning decisions that are supported by evidence, public consultation, and approved planning policies;

2. That the Province consider amendments to the Planning Act and Ontario Land Tribunal Act to provide stronger deference to municipal decisions that align with provincial planning frameworks and Official Plans;
3. That the Province improve transparency and accountability within the Ontario Land Tribunal by requiring clear and detailed reasoning when municipal decisions are overturned;
4. That the Province explore measures to reduce the financial burden on municipalities defending planning decisions before the OLT, helping to protect taxpayer dollars and improve the efficiency of the planning process; and,
5. That Staff be directed to circulate this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Local Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities for consideration and support.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4300.



Kathryn Douglas
Supervisor, Legislative Services
clerk@whitby.ca

Copy: C. Harris, Director of Legislative Services/Town Clerk - clerk@whitby.ca

The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing - minister.mah@ontario.ca
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8.15
Clerk's Department

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May 12, 2026

Premier Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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Sent by Email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

RE: Township of Clearview Resolution – Public Sector Salary Disclosure Inflation Adjustments

Please be advised that at its meeting held on May 11, 2026, Council of the Township of Clearview passed the following resolution regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure Inflation Adjustments:

Moved by Councillor McArthur, Seconded by Councillor Broderick, Whereas the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act passed in 1996, requires that every public employer make available for inspection by the public without charge, a written record of the amount of salary and benefits paid in the previous year by the employer to or in respect of an employee to whom the employer paid at least \$100,000 as a salary; and,

Whereas this \$100,000 salary threshold has not been updated since 1996, to reflect inflation; and,

Whereas with consumer price index (CPI) adjustments, \$100,000 is equivalent to just over \$180,000 today;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Council of the Township of Clearview request that the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be amended to reflect the impact of inflation on the \$100,000 salary threshold for reporting, by either adding wording to reflect annual adjustments related to the consumer price index (CPI) or providing an adjusted salary of \$200,000; and,

That this resolution be sent to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier; Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Simcoe-Grey MPP Brian Saunderson; the Association of Municipalities and all Ontario Municipalities. Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sasha Helmky-Playter', with a stylized, cursive script.

Sasha Helmky-Playter, B.A., Dipl. M.A., AOMC
Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Rob Flack
Simcoe-Grey MPP, Brian Saunderson
The Association of Municipalities
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Town of Bruce Mines

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July 6th, 2026

The Honourable Doug Ford
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Re: Policy Without Appropriation: Physician Shortage in Northern Ontario and the Practice Ready Ontario Program

Dear Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Council of the Town of Bruce Mines, we are writing to, once again, address the physician shortage in Northern Ontario. This critical issue has been front and centre for years, and while the *Practice Ready Ontario (PRO)* program—which evaluates internationally educated family physicians to confirm they are ready to practice in Ontario—is widely acknowledged and genuinely applauded, the province appears to have stopped short of closing the loop.

Therefore, council is compelled to express our concern in the gap between the government's opening the door to a solution but falling short of providing the financial framework needed to walk through it.

Northern Ontario's municipalities face a structural imbalance that is fundamentally different from communities in the south. We are small in population, geographically dispersed, and operate with limited tax bases that cannot support the escalating costs associated with physician recruitment, retention, and community health infrastructure. Despite these limitations, municipalities are increasingly expected to shoulder responsibilities that fall squarely within the provincial mandate for health care delivery.

Municipalities **have** stepped in where we can, but we cannot continue to fund physician recruitment packages, housing incentives, locum coverage, or clinic operations without dedicated provincial support. The current model places an unsustainable burden on small

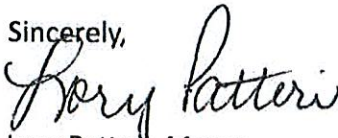
communities that simply do not have the tax revenue to fill the gaps left by the provincial health care system.

We respectfully request that the Province of Ontario:

1. **Establish a dedicated Northern Ontario Physician Recruitment and Retention Fund**, accessible to small and rural municipalities ensuring communities are not forced to subsidize provincial healthcare responsibilities.
2. **Work directly with Northern municipalities** to develop a coordinated strategy that reflects the unique demographic, geographic, and fiscal realities of the North.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and look forward to a written response from your office.

Sincerely,



Lory Patten, Mayor
Town of Bruce Mines

Cc:

Ms. Marit Stiles

Leader of the Official Opposition
Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario

Mr. John Fraser

Interim Leader, Ontario Liberal Party

The Honourable Sylvia Jones

Deputy Premier of Ontario
Minister of Health

The Honourable George Pirie

Minister of Northern Economic Development and Growth

Bill Rosenberg

Member of Provincial Parliament
Algoma—Manitoulin

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)

Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)

Distributed to all Ontario municipalities.

July 29, 2026

Premier Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Room 28, Queen's Park
Toronto, Ontario
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Sent Via Email: Premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), representing 110 municipalities across Northeastern Ontario, I am writing to request that the Province undertake a comprehensive review of how provincially mandated and shared municipal service costs are apportioned among Ontario municipalities.

This issue has been brought forward by several municipalities, including the Municipalities of Calvin and Mattawan, which have identified significant inequities that can arise when Current Value Assessment (CVA) is used as the primary basis for allocating the costs of provincially mandated services, shared municipal services, and regional service boards. FONOM believes these concerns warrant a broader provincial discussion.

FONOM believes this presents an opportunity for the Province to demonstrate leadership on an issue affecting municipalities across Ontario, not just those in Northern Ontario. Rather than focusing solely on a review of Current Value Assessment, we encourage the Province to undertake a broader examination of Ontario's municipal cost apportionment model to ensure it continues to reflect the realities facing municipalities today.

Current Value Assessment remains an important component of Ontario's property assessment system and should continue to play a role in determining municipal capacity. However, experience has shown that relying primarily on CVA to allocate the costs of provincially mandated and shared municipal services can lead to unintended inequities, particularly in rural and Northern municipalities. Communities with significant industrial assessment, hydro corridors, pipelines, resource infrastructure, provincial parks, Crown land, or large acreages may appear to have a strong assessment base while possessing a relatively small residential tax base, limited-service levels, and a

reduced ability to absorb increasing costs. In many cases, these municipalities contribute disproportionately toward regional and provincially mandated services despite receiving fewer local services and facing unique geographic and infrastructure challenges.

FONOM is not advocating for the elimination of Current Value Assessment. Rather, we believe the Province should consider a **Modernized Municipal Cost Apportionment Model** that continues to recognize assessment capacity while incorporating additional measures such as permanent population, household count, service availability, geographic isolation, and overall municipal fiscal capacity. Such an approach would better reflect the realities faced by municipalities across Ontario while creating a more equitable and sustainable framework for allocating shared costs. The examples provided by the Municipality of Calvin demonstrate that even a partial hybrid model can significantly reduce disparities while preserving the underlying principles of assessment-based apportionment.

FONOM also recognizes that any changes to long-established funding formulas must be implemented thoughtfully. Municipalities currently benefiting from the existing model should be provided with sufficient time to adjust their financial planning. Accordingly, should the Province determine that changes are appropriate, FONOM would support a phased implementation over a three to four-year period. A gradual transition would allow municipalities to adapt while minimizing financial disruption and maintaining stability throughout Ontario's municipal sector.

We respectfully request that the Province establish a provincial working group involving the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPAC, the Impact Assessment Corporation, municipal associations, including FONOM, AMO, and ROMA, and municipal finance professionals representing urban, rural, and Northern Ontario. Such a working group could examine the strengths and limitations of the current model and develop recommendations that ensure Ontario's municipal cost apportionment framework remains fair, transparent, and sustainable for decades to come.

Premier, municipalities across Ontario recognize that property assessment and municipal funding are complex subjects with significant financial implications. Our request is not intended to shift costs from one municipality to another without careful consideration. Rather, we are seeking a collaborative review to determine whether Ontario's existing formulas continue to reflect today's municipal realities and whether

refinements could improve fairness while maintaining stability across the province.

FONOM looks forward to working collaboratively with your government, MPAC, Impact Assessment Corporation, AMO, ROMA, and municipal partners to develop solutions that strengthen Ontario's municipal funding framework and ensure a fairer distribution of shared costs for municipalities of every size.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss this important issue further.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Plourde', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Dave Plourde, President of FONOM

cc: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

AMO

ROMA

Municipality of Calvin

Municipality of Mattawan

MPAC



Via: minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Honorable Todd McCarthy

Subject: Request for Review of Extended Producer Responsibility for One-Pound Single-Use Propane Cylinders

Dear Sir,

I am writing to request that the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority (RPRA) undertake a review of the current regulatory framework governing one-pound single-use propane cylinders sold in Ontario.

Consumers purchasing these cylinders pay environmental stewardship or producer responsibility costs at the point of sale with the expectation that an appropriate end-of-life management system exists. In practice, however, accessible return and recycling opportunities for these cylinders are extremely limited across many parts of the province. Most retail locations that sell the cylinders do not accept them back, and consumers are often left with few or no practical disposal options.

As a result, municipalities have become the default managers of these products. Municipal waste facilities bear the responsibility, cost, and safety risks associated with collecting, storing, and managing these pressurized cylinders despite not being the producers or distributors of the product. Improper disposal also creates significant operational hazards at material recovery facilities, transfer stations, and landfills, including the risk of fires and equipment damage.

This situation appears inconsistent with the principles of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), which are intended to shift the financial and operational responsibility for post-consumer products from municipalities and taxpayers to producers. When consumers contribute to environmental handling costs at the time of purchase, there should be a convenient, accessible, and effective collection system available to ensure the product is managed responsibly at the end of its useful life.

I respectfully request that the Ministry and RPRA review the current requirements applicable to one-pound propane cylinders and consider the following:

- Assess whether the existing producer responsibility system provides sufficient and accessible return opportunities for consumers throughout Ontario.
- Evaluate whether the fees collected from consumers are being used to establish an effective province-wide collection and recycling network.



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- Require producers and retailers to provide convenient and publicly accessible take-back locations wherever these products are sold.
- Review whether municipalities are being unfairly burdened with the costs and liabilities associated with managing these products.
- Consider regulatory amendments to strengthen producer accountability and ensure the objectives of Ontario's circular economy and waste diversion policies are being achieved.

Municipalities should not be left to absorb the financial costs, operational challenges, and public safety risks associated with products for which producers have collected environmental stewardship fees. A well-functioning producer responsibility system should ensure that consumers have practical disposal options and that municipalities are not forced to subsidize the end-of-life management of these products.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and would welcome the opportunity to discuss this issue further or provide examples of the challenges municipalities continue to face regarding the management of one-pound propane cylinders.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,

Nancy Carrol
CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
Tudor and Cashel Township

Cc: Resource Productivity & Recovery Authority (RPRA): registry@rpra.ca
Premier Doug Ford: Premier@ontario.ca
All municipalities

This email is sent on behalf of Melanie Shaye, DNSSAB CAO.

Hello,

In follow up to the June 25 email, please find the **DNSSAB's July Highlights** email here.

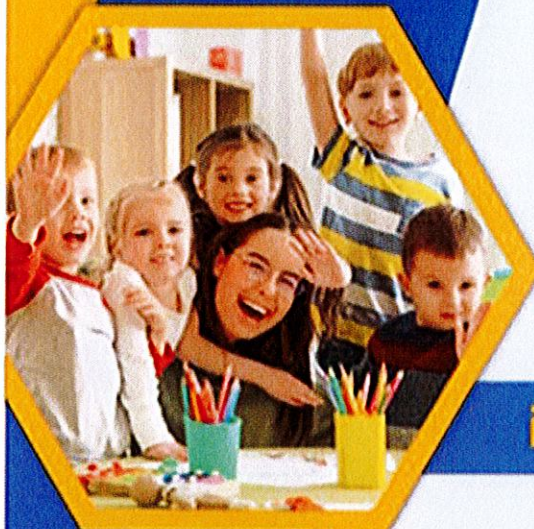
Children's Services

- **Early Childhood Education:** Student success is highlighted in the social media post shown below.

District of Nipissing
Social Services
Administration Board



Conseil d'administration
des services sociaux
du district de Nipissing



Celebrating ECE success

in Nipissing District

*Supporting local students
pursuing careers in Early
Childhood Education*



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District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

June 18 at 7:00 PM · 🌐

🌟 Celebrating ECE Success in Nipissing! 🌟

Congratulations to the 11 educators who have graduated through the Accelerated ECE Program, funded by DNSSAB Children's Services, and are now Registered Early Childhood Educators (RECEs)! 🍌

Their success highlights what's possible when education, employment, and community support come together.

One graduate, Sarah F., shared:

"Completing my RECE and graduating with honours has reinforced that I am exactly where I am meant to be. The support I received made it possible to continue working while achieving this goal, and I am incredibly grateful. I would love for others to see what is possible with the right support and encouragement."

Currently, two additional child care staff are enrolled in the program. One is expected to graduate in Fall 2026, and the other in Spring 2027.

DNSSAB Children's Services is proud to support a growing, qualified early years workforce in our community! 🍌 [See less](#)

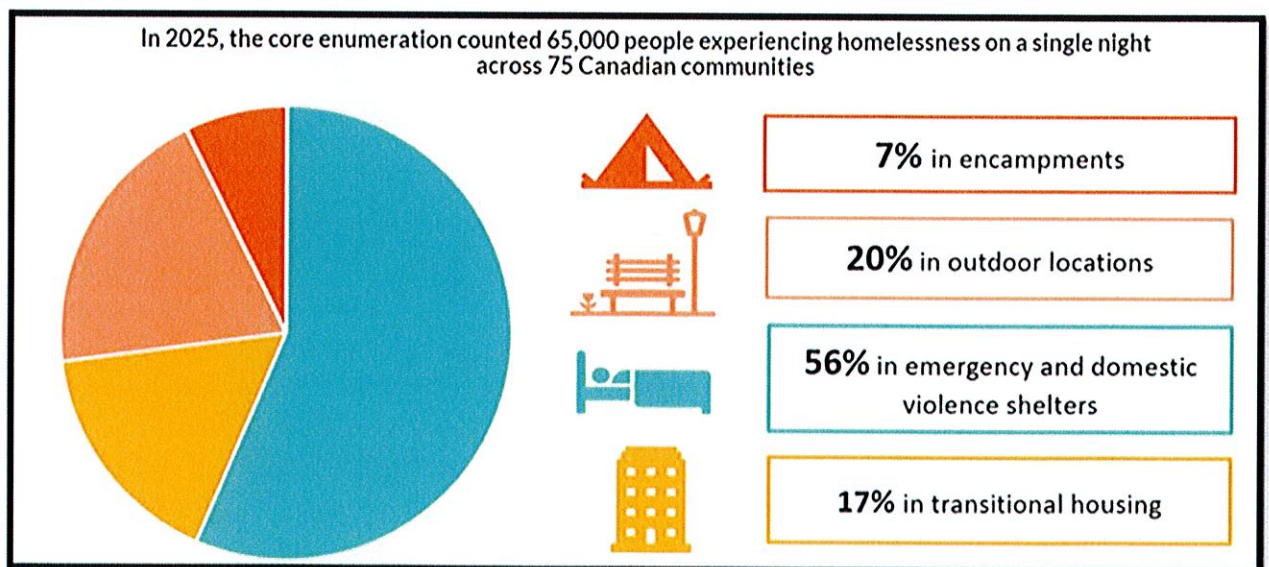
Coordinated Services

- **Affordable Housing at 100 Main Street, North Bay:** Work is well underway, with framing occurring in early July.





- **Everyone Counts 2025:** The results of the annual enumeration of homelessness, from the federal government, can be found here: [Everyone Counts 2025: Results from the Annual Enumeration of Homelessness - Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada.](#)



- **Homelessness Outreach and Program Engagement (HOPE):** The HOPE branded vests have arrived and look sharp! These vests will assist outreach workers in being easily identified in the community. The HOPE team connects individuals experiencing homelessness with supports.



- **Success Story:** A sole-support parent caring for a child with a disability became increasingly fearful of public spaces and public transit after the COVID-19 pandemic due to concerns about their child's health. After clearly communicating these limitations to their Transitional Support Case Manager, a home visit was arranged. The client was deeply appreciative, noting that being supported in their home eased their anxiety. During the visit, the Action Plan was updated, and the client was connected to counselling services, which are being provided through phone appointments.

Nipissing District Housing Corporation

- **Kids in Sports:** A partnership between the North Bay Police Service and NDHC will allow children from NDHC properties to participate in a youth sports initiative this summer.



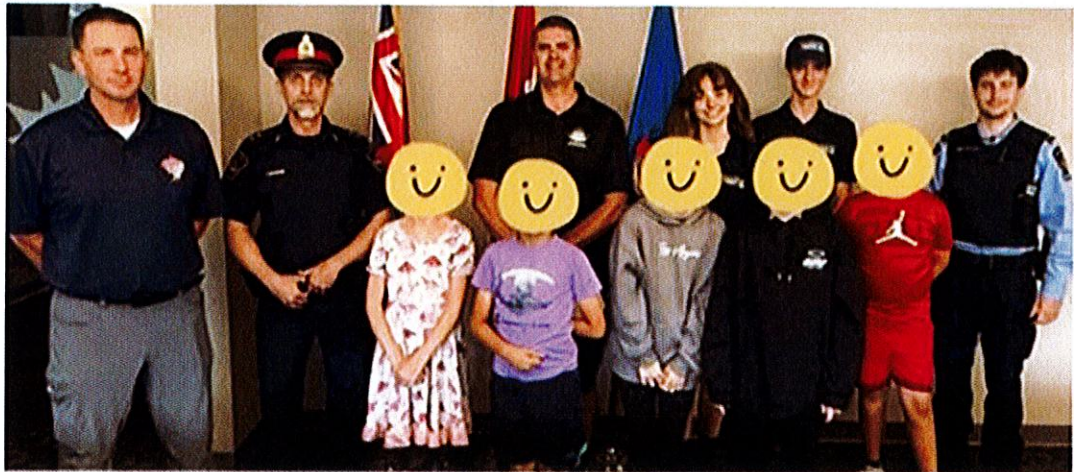
District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

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The Kids in Sports initiative is helping local children try new sports, build confidence, and create lasting memories this summer.

Thank you to the [North Bay Police Service](#) and the many community partners who are helping make this program possible. [See less](#)



Kids in Sports



District of Nipissing
Social Services
Administration Board



Conseil d'administration
des services sociaux
du district de Nipissing



Paramedic Services

- **Social Media:** DNSSAB continues to use social media to highlight impactful data for the community.



District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board

June 26 at 2:03 PM · 🌐

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In 2025, Nipissing District Paramedics travelled 626,241 kilometres to provide care across the district. That's the equivalent of more than 15 trips around the world!

Learn more: dnssab.ca/paramedic-service See less



District of Nipissing Paramedic Services



In 2025, Nipissing District
Paramedics traveled about

626,241 kms

(over 15.5 trips around the world!)



Healthy, Sustainable Communities.

District of Nipissing
Social Services
Administration Board



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du district de Nipissing

Best regards,
Melanie



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DATE: July 18, 2026

MEMORANDUM TO: Heads of Council

SUBJECT: Alert Ready

Dear Heads of Council:

Given the significant impacts of this year's wildland fire season, our government is enhancing the tools available to municipalities and First Nations to support emergency response. As part of this effort, we are expanding access to the Alert Ready system, which can deliver urgent emergency messages directly to the public through television, radio, and compatible mobile devices. Alerts are intended for exceptional situations requiring immediate public awareness and action.

An Alert Ready notification may be requested when:

- An event presents an immediate or imminent threat to life, public health, safety and security, or could result in substantial property damage.
- Prompt public notification and a clear call to action will help reduce the risk.
- The event falls within an approved Broadcast Intrusive Alert category.

The following officials are authorized to request an Alert Ready message for incidents occurring within their own jurisdiction:

- Heads of Council, including Mayors, Reeves, Wardens and Regional Chairs
- First Nations Chiefs
- Community Emergency Management Coordinators (and alternates)
- Police Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs \ Fire Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs
- Senior municipal government officials
- The Provincial Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC)

Local authorities determine whether conditions warrant an alert and submit the proposed message to the PEOC. The PEOC verifies the identity of the requestor and assesses whether the request meets Alert Ready activation criteria before issuing the alert. Alerts may be updated, extended, or cancelled as circumstances evolve.

Your respective emergency management officials have established access to PEOC

contact information and may engage the PEOC as required to support Alert Ready requests.

Every alert:

- Should identify the affected area / Describe the hazard or threat / Provide clear public instructions / Direct the public to an authoritative source for additional information.
- Must be issued in both English and French. Translation assistance is available through the PEOC when required.

Thank you for your continued commitment to keeping Ontario safe and protected.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jill Q', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

The Honourable Jill Dunlop
Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response

cc.

Matthew Pegg, Deputy Minister and Commissioner of Emergency Management

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Report to Council

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Jordan Whalley, Fire Chief

Date: July 15, 2026

Meeting Date: August 11, 2026

Subject: 2026–2027 Fire Protection Grant Application

Recommendation

That Council approve the submission of an application to the 2026–2027 Fire Protection Grant Program in the amount of \$12,848.00 plus HST for firefighter cancer prevention equipment, supplies, training materials, and related implementation costs.

Background

On July 14, 2026, I received a communiqué from the Office of the Fire Marshal advising that applications for the 2026–2027 Fire Protection Grant Program will be accepted from July 16, 2026, to September 1, 2026. A copy of the communiqué is attached for Council's reference.

The Fire Protection Grant provides funding to municipalities in the following priority areas:

Cancer prevention (equipment and supplies, personal protective equipment, and minor infrastructure);

Minor infrastructure modernization (enhanced broadband and internet connectivity); and

Lithium-ion incident response (equipment and supplies).

Municipalities can expect to receive approximately \$16,000 per active fire station, with final allocations dependent upon the total number of approved applications.

Discussion

Staff are recommending that the Municipality apply under the Cancer Prevention funding stream.

The proposed project includes the purchase of the following eligible equipment and supplies:

- Turnout gear extractor;
- Turnout gear decontamination soap/detergent;
- Low-pressure sprayers;
- Soft-bristle brushes;
- Buckets;
- Hoses;
- Decontamination kits;
- Replacement nozzles;
- Measuring bottles;

- Storage containers;
- Training materials; and
- Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) implementation supplies.

The total eligible project cost is \$12,848.00 plus HST.

Implementation of this project will ensure that 100% of structural firefighting personal protective equipment (PPE) is decontaminated immediately following exposure incidents. This will significantly improve PPE maintenance while reducing firefighters' exposure to carcinogenic contaminants.

The proposed training and implementation materials will establish consistent decontamination practices across the department, ensuring firefighters understand and follow the required procedures, thereby increasing compliance with recognized cancer prevention best practices.

Investing in firefighter cancer prevention will:

- Reduce long-term occupational health risks to firefighters;
- Decrease potential future costs associated with occupational illness;
- Extend the service life of costly structural firefighting PPE;
- Improve firefighter health and safety; and
- Demonstrate responsible stewardship of public funds through proactive investment in preventative measures.

Additional project details are provided in the attached supporting report.

Financial Implications

The total eligible project cost is \$12,848.00 plus HST.

The project falls entirely within the eligible expenditures under the 2026–2027 Fire Protection Grant Program. Funding allocations are subject to approval by the Office of the Fire Marshal.

Conclusion

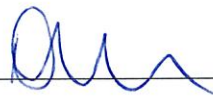
The Fire Protection Grant presents an excellent opportunity to enhance firefighter health and safety through improved cancer prevention practices while minimizing financial impacts on the Municipality. Approval to submit this application will allow staff to pursue available provincial funding for this important initiative.

Attachments

Office of the Fire Marshal Communiqué – 2026–2027 Fire Protection Grant Program

Fire Department Cancer Prevention Project Report



Jordan Whalley Fire Chief

Donna Maitland CAO Clerk Treasurer

I have received and approve of this report.



Calvin Fire Department

2026-2027 Fire Protection Grant Project Proposal

Project Title: Cancer Prevention and Firefighter Decontamination Enhancement Project

Funding Stream: Cancer Prevention – Equipment and Supplies / Minor Infrastructure

Project Summary

The Calvin Fire Department is seeking funding to establish a comprehensive firefighter cancer prevention and decontamination program. The project will reduce firefighter exposure to carcinogens through the purchase of a turnout gear extractor and drying cabinet, on-scene gross decontamination equipment, specialized cleaning products, sprayers, brushes, buckets, and related supplies. The project aligns with the Office of the Fire Marshal's emphasis on firefighter cancer prevention.

Statement of Need

Firefighters are routinely exposed to known carcinogens during structural firefighting and overhaul. Our rural volunteer department currently has limited capability to properly decontaminate PPE immediately following incidents and to thoroughly clean and dry turnout gear in-house. This can increase the risk of long-term occupational illness and may reduce PPE service life.

Project Objectives

- Reduce firefighter exposure to carcinogens.
- Improve compliance with OFM firefighter cancer prevention best practices.
- Increase the frequency and quality of PPE cleaning.
- Provide on-scene gross decontamination before PPE removal.
- Promote a culture of firefighter health and safety.

Equipment Requested

- Turnout gear extractor (NFPA-compliant)
- Turnout gear drying cabinet/dryer
- Gross decontamination soap/detergent
- Low-pressure sprayers
- Soft-bristle brushes
- Buckets, hoses and decontamination kits

- Replacement nozzles, measuring bottles and storage containers
- Training materials and SOP implementation supplies

Implementation Plan

Following approval, the department will procure equipment, develop/update SOPs for gross decontamination, train all firefighters, place decon kits on apparatus, and begin documenting PPE cleaning after incidents.

Expected Outcomes

100% of structural firefighting gear decontaminated after exposure incidents, improved PPE maintenance, mitigate exposure risk to all firefighters, all firefighters trained on updated decontamination procedures, increased compliance with cancer prevention practices, extended PPE lifespan, and improved firefighter health and operational readiness.

Return on Investment

Investing in cancer prevention reduces long-term health risks, decreases potential occupational illness costs, extends the life of expensive PPE, and demonstrates responsible stewardship of public funds while improving firefighter safety.

Performance Measures

- Number of firefighters trained
- Number of gross decontamination events completed
- Number of PPE cleaning cycles completed
- Adoption of updated SOPs
- Annual review of program effectiveness

Conclusion

The Calvin Fire Department is committed to protecting the health of its volunteer firefighters through proactive cancer prevention measures. Funding this project will provide sustainable equipment and supplies that will immediately improve firefighter safety and support provincial cancer prevention initiatives.

This proposal is intended to support the 2026-27 Ontario Fire Protection Grant application.



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OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL
BUREAU DU COMMISSAIRE DES INCENDIES

July 14, 2026

No. 2026-03

Fire Protection Grant 2026-27 - Call for Applications

Ontario's Solicitor General, the Honourable Michael Kerzner, has opened applications for the third round of the province's Fire Protection Grant.

Beginning July 16, 2026, applications for the 2026-27 Fire Protection Grant will be accepted through the [Transfer Payment Ontario \(TPON\)](#) system. Applications will be accepted until 5:00PM on September 1, 2026. Please access the TPON link above to review the Fire Protection Grant application (a fillable PDF) and an information package which provides important details about this year's grant process.

As announced in the government's 2024 Budget, the initial \$30M grant was to be administered over three years, with \$10M being allocated each year. In Year 2, total funding was increased to \$20M. As part of the 2026 Budget, the government has committed an additional \$10M to support the Fire Protection Grant, bringing the total funding envelope for the 2026/27 fiscal year to \$20M.

Eligibility for the 2026-27 Fire Protection Grant remains consistent with previous years, with funding available to municipalities that have established a fire department under section 2(2)(b) of the [Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 \(FPPA\)](#).

This year's grant will continue to target cancer prevention, minor infrastructure modernization and lithium-ion incident response initiatives, such as:

- **Cancer Prevention:**
 - Equipment and Supplies
 - Personal Protective Equipment
 - Minor Infrastructure
- **Minor Infrastructure Modernization:**
 - Enhanced broadband and internet connectivity
- **Lithium-Ion Incident Response:**
 - Equipment and Supplies

The grant will be allocated proportionate to the number of active fire stations in a municipality. Allocations will be based on the projects being undertaken at the local level, ensuring a fair, transparent, and consistent disbursement of funds. Municipalities can expect to receive approximately \$16,000 per active fire station, with final allocations dependent on the total number of approved applications.

To be consistent with other grants offered through the Ministry of the Solicitor General, applicants are required to develop proposals with supporting information to demonstrate need, return on investment, and benefit to public safety.

I am confident that the Fire Protection Grant will continue to assist departments in addressing critical needs regarding cancer prevention, minor infrastructure and lithium-ion incident response at the local level and I look forward to the positive impact it will have on your front-line members.

If you require any assistance or have general questions about the grant application, please contact your local Fire Protection Adviser.

Report to council

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Jordan Whalley, Fire Chief

Date: July 21, 2026

Meeting Date: August 11, 2026

Subject: OFM Town Hall Meeting

The Office of the Fire Marshals (OFM) invited Fire Chiefs to a non-mandated virtual meeting to offer any assistance to fire departments related to the Fire Fighter certification process. They discussed the different pathways departments can take to access the provincial testing and evaluation recourses.

Any questions within the meeting were to be directed to our local Fire Protection advisor.

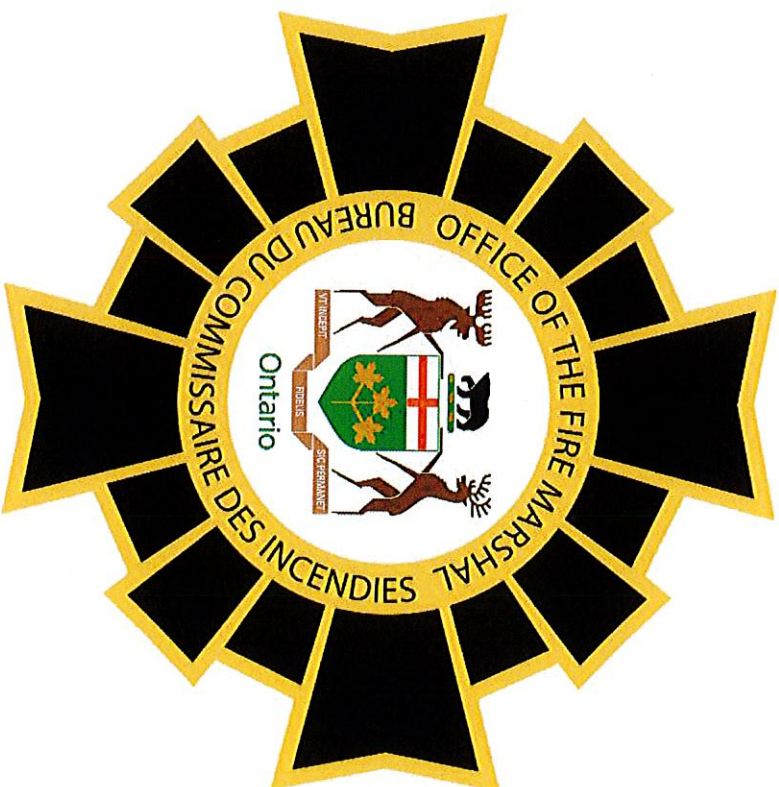


Jordan Whalley Fire Chief



Fire Chiefs Town Hall

Office of the Fire Marshal
July 8, 2026



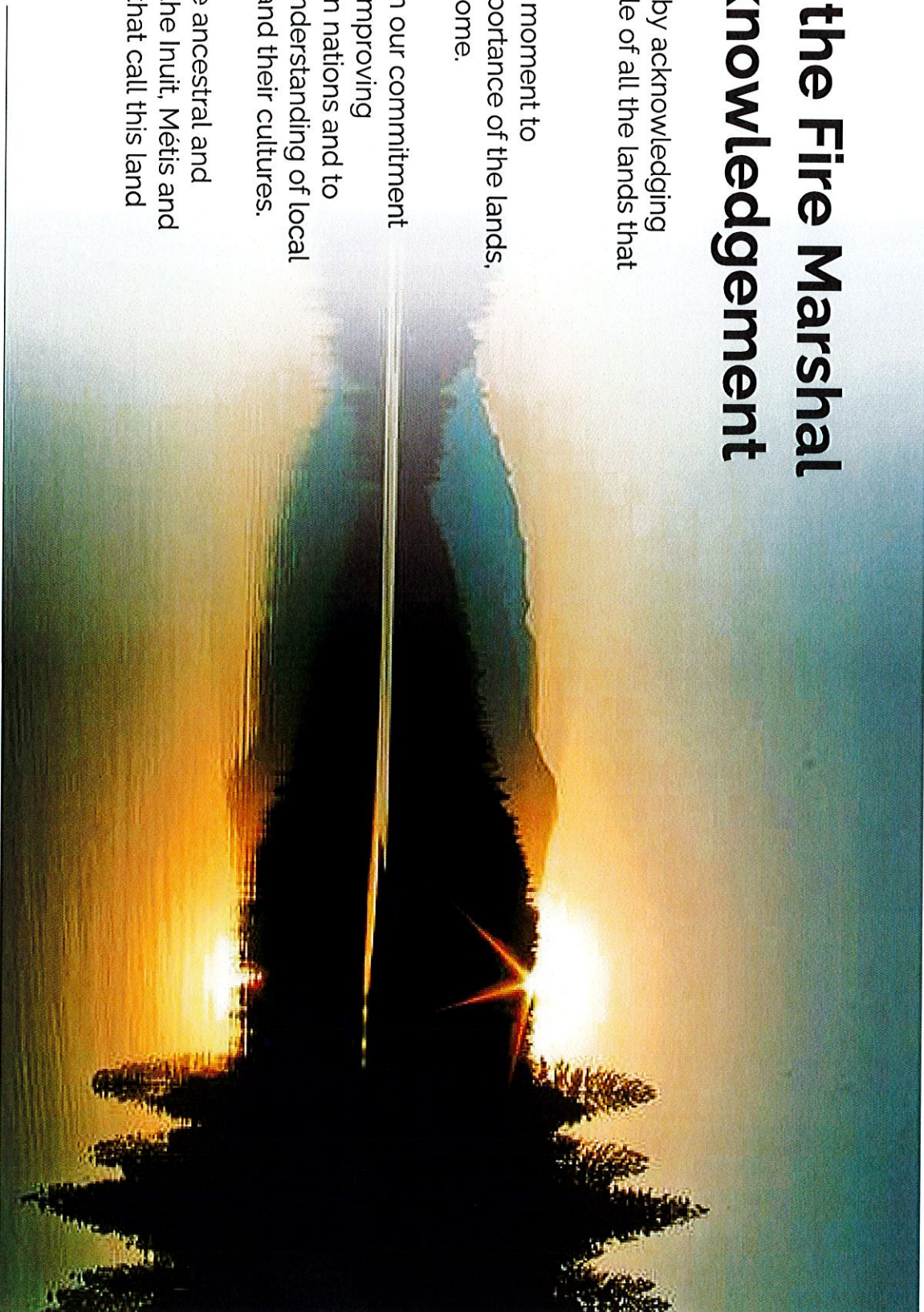
Office of the Fire Marshal Land Acknowledgement

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Indigenous People of all the lands that we are on today.

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the importance of the lands, which we each call home.

We do this to reaffirm our commitment and responsibility in improving relationships between nations and to improving our own understanding of local Indigenous peoples and their cultures.

We acknowledge the ancestral and unceded territory of the Inuit, Métis and First Nations people that call this land home.



Agenda

1. Welcome

- HR Update – Deputy Fire Marshal

2. Training and Certification Update

3. Fire Protection Grant Update

4. Questions





Training and Certification Update

Certification Recap

Ontario Regulation 343/22 came into force on July 1, 2022, after considerable consultation with the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, the Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association, the Fire Fighters Association of Ontario and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Compliance Deadlines:

- Majority of Disciplines: July 1, 2026
- NFPA 1006 Disciplines: July 1, 2028

- As part of the regulation, the OFM offered legacy to those departments that were not full service (Interior Attack, Auto Ex and HazMat at Operations level).

Legacy Application Windows:

- Primary Window – January 1 to March 31, 2023
- Secondary Window – July 1 to September 30, 2023

- Throughout the last four years, the OFM has provided support materials for the Ontario fire service in addition to conference and tradeshow presentation and engagement through Field and Advisory Services:
 - Mandatory Certification Information Package – July 2022
 - Legacy Information and Application Package – October 2022
 - Frequently Asked Questions – December 2025



Training and Certification Demand

- 2,500 – 3,000 firefighter certifications issued monthly
- Ontario Fire College training demand:
 - Off-Campus course demand up 7% YTD compared to 2025
 - RTC course demand up 80% compared to 2025
 - Learning Contracts up 59% compared to 2025
 - Cancelled classes and student waitlists down 59%
 - Total number of students trained up 25% YTD compared to 2025
- Close to 1,000 Ontario Fire College courses anticipated in 2026



Training and Certification Pathways

	Application to Host	Learning Contract	Regional Training Centre	Off-Campus Course	Other
Program Development	Department	OFM	OFM	OFM	Let's choose the best path together!
Program Instructors	Department	Department	OFM	OFM	
Program Students	Department(s)	Department(s)	Regional	Regional	
Cost	Trainer Fee	\$65.00/student	RTC Fee + \$65.00/student	Host Cost + \$65.00/student	
AS&E Testing Included	Upon Approval	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Quality Assurance	Yes				



Application to Host

Attestation of Training

I, the undersigned Fire Chief / Authorized Fire Department Official, hereby attest that all candidates who will be identified for testing under this Candidate Eligibility Letter will have successfully completed the required training to the applicable recognized standard prior to the scheduled testing date.

I further confirm that:

- All training was delivered in full alignment with the approved program on file with your fire department; and
 - All required training documentation — including lesson plans, instructional materials, practical skill requirements, assignments, assessments, and testing materials — has been developed, maintained, and made available as required.
- I acknowledge that only candidates who have completed all required training and met all prerequisites are eligible to participate in testing, and that submission of this application constitutes verification of compliance with all OFM Training & Certification requirements.

I understand that the OFM relies on this attestation and may at any time conduct an audit to ensure that training is being conducted as per a developed program but is not responsible for independently verifying the training or qualifications of candidates prior to testing.

I certify that the information provided is accurate and complete. I accept full responsibility for ensuring compliance with these requirements in advance of the scheduled testing date.



General Certification Updates

- All testing sessions must have a specific date and time, eliminating open-ended testing sessions.
- Ability to access paper test results within **30 days**. E-testing results within **2-5 days**.
- AS&E assigns proctors to all written testing sessions. Proctors cannot possess subject matter expertise in the examinations they oversee.
- AS&E assigns lead evaluators to all practical evaluation sessions. Lead evaluators must be appropriately certified and qualified and cannot be the Lead Evaluator for their own department.
- Internal evaluators may continue to be utilized to help support the work of the AS&E assigned Lead Evaluator.



eTesting Updates

- Since the launch of the new eTesting platform in April, more than 924 exams have been completed successfully.
- Departments interested in offering eTesting are encouraged to select the eTesting option when submitting their Application to Host.
- Candidates must use a computer or laptop to access the eTesting website (<https://ontariofire.instructure.com>) and use a web browser that meets system requirements. Mobile phones are not approved devices for testing.
- Candidates should complete the **eTesting Familiarization Exam** at least **48 hours** before each test to verify correct emails and to ensure successful access to the eTesting platform.



Training and Certification Portal Updates

All testing sessions are managed through the Training and Certification Portal.

The portal enables users to:

- View scheduled testing sessions
- Verify candidate prerequisites **in advance** of testing
- **NEW** – Enroll eligible candidates from your department into a testing session
- Access **official** testing results for each candidate, available to the candidate and Fire Chief/Designate

Enhancements Being Developed:

- Testing Catalogue
- Electronic Application Process





- A reminder that skill sheets are available for download in the learner section of the Portal.
- Self-paced courses can be completed prior to the merger of a student learner's profile.

Self-paced courses

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Course name

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Portal Updates

Departments and Learners can review their certifications and export reports.

Manage certifications

Select criteria to filter certifications

Certifications

All certifications

Source

All sources

Filter

Learners

Show 10 entries

Learner

Course

Source

Completed date

Search certifications

NFPA 1001 Firefighter Level I	Grandfathered	2014-03-18
NFPA 1001 Firefighter Level II	Grandfathered	2014-03-18
NFPA 1002 Pumper Operations	Certification	2019-03-30
NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level I	Grandfathered	2014-03-18
NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level II	Grandfathered	2014-03-18
NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level III	Certification	2023-02-11
NFPA 1021 Fire Officer Level III	Certification	2023-11-22
NFPA 1026 Incident Command	Certification	2026-01-25
NFPA 1031 Fire Inspector Level I	Certification	2015-05-15
NFPA 1031 Fire Inspector Level II	Certification	2017-12-04

Export to excel

Showing 1 to 10 of 2,024 entries



Portal Updates

Learner dashboard

Upcoming

You currently have **2** upcoming events.

Incomplete

You currently have **2** self-paced in progress.

Pending

You currently have **0** pending enrollments.

Subscriptions

You currently have **0** subscriptions.

Upcoming events

Name	Organization	Date	Enrollment status	Type
1006 ROP-O21 Practical Exam		2026-09-14	Confirmed	Test
1006 ROP-O21 Written Exam		2028-09-14	Confirmed	Test

The learner dashboard provides students with critical information about upcoming events.



Portal Updates

Learning history

Ontario Fire College Academic Standards and Evaluation **Test sessions**

Select criteria to filter learning history grid

Year Test status

All years v

All statuses v

Filter

Learners can see whether they passed or failed a testing session within 30 days (5 days for eTesting).

Academic Standards and Evaluation test sessions

Show 10 entries

Test name	Test status	Completed date
1006 ROP-O21 Practical Exam	Passed	2026-07-15
1006 ROP-O21 Written Exam	Failed	Not available

Showing 1 to 2 of 2 entries

Search learning history

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Supporting Firefighter Certification:

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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The Training and Certification FAQs continues to be updated with frequently asked questions.

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Name

OFM Training & Certification

Training and Certification - FAO - v 2.0

Training and Certification - FAO v 2.0 (ER)

Contacting Training & Certification

OFMTtestingandCertification@Ontario.ca

- AS&E Section Coordinator
- AS&E Program Coordinators
- AS&E Manager

AskOFC@ontario.ca

- Registrars
- Academic Manager





Fire Protection Grant Update

Year 3 Highlights

- \$20M available in funding for Year 3
- Application window will open on July 16th, 2026, and will close September 1st, 2026.
- Transfer Payment Agreements (TPAs) must be signed by all parties, with funding flowed to municipalities by March 31, 2027.



Eligibility

- The Fire Protection Grant is available to all municipalities who have established a fire departments (as defined in the FPPA).
- Funding is available for new and existing initiatives addressing firefighter health and safety and related infrastructure, as well as lithium-ion incident response.

