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Good Morning

I am writing today to submit my request that Schedule 6 and Schedule 8 be withdrawn in their entirety from Budget Bill 229 .

I am a resident of Ontario and spent my working life teaching for the Environmental Education department of

the Durham District School Board. I am also a volunteer in my community in a number of ways.

I write to you today to express my sincere concern with Schedule 6 and Schedule 8 - that have been hidden inside the omnibus Budget Bill 229. The changes to the Conservation Authorities abilities to restrict development when it negatively impacts watersheds and ecosystems as well as removing citizen representation sets environmental protection in this province back by decades!

It is extremely disturbing to me that your government is using this omnibus to make such substantive changes to environmental laws - completely side stepping Ontarios' Environmental Bill Of Rights intended to protect lands valuable to ecosystem stability and giving Ontario citizens a voice.

I am well aware of the Conservative Governments desire to fast track development proposals - in the name of economic growth/recovery - but destroying sensitive lands to do so is both short sighted and in my opinion criminal. Surely you realize that a world paved over in the name of "growth" is not a world that can support life in any kind of quality or diversity.

I ask that you speak up on my behalf in opposing the passing of Schedule 6 and 8 of Bill 229.

With regard.....Cathy Galberg 1179 Cragg Rd Greenbank Ont L0C 1B0 905 439 6200