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I appreciate the challenges involved in managing a budget for the province. However, I oppose Schedules 6 & 8 in Bill 229, and I'm concerned that much of what is proposed will result in a lower quality of living for all Ontario.

The Conservation Authorities' mandate to regulate land for the safety of the community is even more important now than ever. Given the increase in severity of storms we need to maintain the conservation authorities assistance in mitigating flooding and protect water quality, not cut their funding. The work they do more than pays for what provided by the Provincial Government. Please drop Schedule 6 from the budget bill.

I'm dismayed that Schedule 8 will permit forestry companies will be exempt from protecting endangered species. Much of Ontario is crown land. The Crown has a moral obligation to protect species at risk.

I urge you to please reconsider this Bill. This bill has lasting, negative implications for future generations at a time when we most need nature.