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I am morally and ethically obliged to join others in strongly recommending the removal of Schedule 6 (proposed changes to the Conservation Authorities Act and consequential amendments) and Schedule 8

(proposed changes to the Crown Forest Sustainability Act, 1994) be withdrawn in their entirety from Bill 229. Ontario's wetlands are ceaselessly threatened by poorly regulated overdevelopment. As a concerned citizen and new parent, that I should have to explain why wetland protection is important to people who are charged with the maintenance and integrity of the public good, is frankly exhausting, but I must thank you for kindly receiving this submission with your time and consideration of the following facts. Wetlands are a source of environmental services which provide substantial economic value and which are expensive to replace, such as water filtration. Wetlands are substantial carbon and GHG sinks which development disturbs thus contributing to climate change. Wetlands provide an irreplaceable source of recreation and national and international tourism, not to mention national pride and identity. Wetlands are home to many endangered species which if you do not care about, I'm sorry for you. Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Would you like to add any other information?

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