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**Toronto Region and Conservation Authority, Chair
 Endorses Province’s Newly Introduced *Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024***

TORONTO - As Chair of the Toronto Region and Conservation Authority (TRCA), I endorse the *Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024* introduced by the Ontario government on November 25. These changes will significantly enhance the TRCA's and the Province's ability to collaborate on environmental conservation and community resilience.

Modernizing the Forest Fires Prevention Act will improve wildland fire management and reduce human-caused fires. Additionally, changes to the Oil, Gas, and Salt Resources Act will empower the Ministry to swiftly address hazardous wells, ensuring public safety. Amending the Surveyors Act will bolster the role of land surveyors, crucial for meeting Ontario’s infrastructure and housing development needs. Together, these enhancements will enable Ontario to protect communities from environmental hazards and support sustainable development.

In my capacity as Chair of the Toronto Region and Conservation Authority, I am pleased with the legislative enhancements, as they align with TRCA’s mission to protect and sustain our natural environment.

“This is an opportunity for the Toronto Region and Conservation Authority to work with the Province of Ontario to realize these improvements as we work towards ensuring a resilient future for all Ontarians. As the Chair of the TRCA, I am committed to collaborating with the province to implement these vital changes, ensuring that our efforts in hazardous well management, and land surveying contribute to a safer, more resilient Ontario.” stated Chair, Councillor Paul Ainslie

The TRCA is actively engaged in several key projects to enhance environmental sustainability and community safety. These include flood and erosion control measures, and environmental conservation efforts.

The Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024 represents a significant step forward in safeguarding Ontario’s natural resources and communities. For more information, please visit:

- [Toronto and Region Conservation Authority \(TRCA\)](#)
- [The Resource Management and Safety Act, 2024](#)

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