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### **EBR Registry Number: 013-1839: Amendments to Ontario Regulation 287/07 "General" under the Clean Water Act, 2006**

The Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario (CFFO) is an Accredited Farm Organization representing the interesting of over 4,000 farm families in Ontario.

The changes to the Clean Water Act and Ontario Regulation 287/07 proposed include changes to the process that certain amendments must go through and a change in who is notified when changes occur.

The CFFO agrees that when changes occur to vulnerable areas, the bodies responsible for the implementation of the relevant policies should be made aware of the changes. The CFFO agree that the Director of the Source Protection Branch should be made aware of the changes as well, this will ensure that adequate data on these changes is brought forward so that it may be added, and update source protection plans. The CFFO agrees that providing associated data in a digital format to the Director to update the map is important and that this data should be updated as frequently as possible, as to inform stakeholders properly about what is happening on their land and with their water systems. By allowing small amendments to follow a more streamlined process with hopefully make changes easier and more efficient.

The CFFO recommends that is not only those who are responsible for implementing the policies, but the landowners themselves who should be a part of the process where they are made aware of any system that is being removed or changed in the source protection plan. When areas are removed from source protection plans, this may greatly impact how a farmer choosing to maintain their land, so they must be aware when these types of changes are made.

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We appreciate this opportunity to respond to this discussion paper and thank you for consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clarence Nywening".

Clarence Nywening, President  
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