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**MEMORANDUM TO: Conservation Authority General Managers or Chief
Administrative Officers, Conservation Authority Partners
and Interested Parties**

**FROM: Kirsten Service, Director Conservation & Source
Protection Branch, MECP**

**RE: Transition of Conservation Authority Program from the
Ministry of Natural Resources to the Ministry of the
Environment, Conservation and Parks**

Good morning,

I am writing to advise you that the responsibility for the province's conservation authority program has now transitioned from the Minister of Natural Resources to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) through Orders in Council. Moving forward, the Minister of Natural Resources no longer has legislative duties or functions under the *Conservation Authorities Act* but retains leadership for natural hazard management policy and operations.

Staff supporting the important work of administering this portfolio and delivering on the government's priorities for conservation authorities will be moving to a newly created section named the Conservation Authorities Section within the Conservation and Source Protection Branch in MECP's Land and Water Division.

Stakeholders can continue to reach out to ministry staff as they have done in the past on conservation authority matters via ca.office@ontario.ca.

We thank you for your ongoing support during this time of transition. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Service".

Kirsten Service, Director
Conservation and Source Protection Branch
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