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**RE: Provincial Policy Statement Review – Draft Policies**

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The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, together with other ministries involved in land use planning, is reviewing the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), as required by the *Planning Act*.

The PPS is the statement of the Province's policies concerning land use planning and development. It provides policy direction on matters of provincial interest such as building strong communities, the wise use and management of resources, and protecting public health and safety. The *Planning Act* requires that decisions on land use planning matters "shall be consistent with" the PPS.

We would like to thank those who participated in the initial consultation for the PPS Review – your input has contributed towards improving the PPS.

A discussion document containing the draft revised PPS is available online at [www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page9990.aspx](http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page9990.aspx). The document includes highlights of the proposed new policy directions, questions for your consideration, and information on how to provide comments. If you have any feedback on the questions contained in the consultation discussion document please provide them to us by November 23, 2012.

Further information about the PPS and the Review is available online at [ontario.ca/PPS](http://ontario.ca/PPS). You can also visit our posting on the Environmental Bill of Rights Environmental Registry at [ebr.gov.on.ca](http://ebr.gov.on.ca).

If you have any questions, please contact Darryl Lyons, Team Lead, Provincial Planning Policy Branch at 416-585-6014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Audrey Bennett".

Audrey Bennett  
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cc. Municipal Services Offices, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing