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Re: Temporarily delay the implementation of the excess soil requirements under O. Reg. 406/19: On-Site and Excess Soil Regulation

Beaverhouse First Nation - Comments and Concerns

The delay on the implementation of the excess soil requirements under O.Reg. 406/19: On-site and Excess Soil Regulation is of concern to Beaverhouse First Nations community as there is an abundance of mining development occurring within Traditional Lands. Anticipated this summer will be a variety of developments which will result in the disposition of soils. To have proponents follow the excess soil reuse planning requirements, outlined by O.REG.406/19 would prevent illegal dumping of excess soils and ensure their reuse to prevent brownfield occurrences on Indigenous Traditional Lands. A suggested approach to this regulatory amendment would be to have developers and municipalities attempt to implement the excess soil reuse planning requirements, outlined by O.REG.406/19. If developers and municipalities are unable to successfully follow the practices outlined by O.REG.406/19 there should be no implementation of penalties until January 1st, 2023. To allow developers and municipalities an opportunity to practice implementing excess soil requirements under O.Reg. 406/19: On-site and Excess Soil Regulation without penalty will provide an opportunity to to implement the provisions and to better understand their responsibilities. This will also help prevent the illegal dumping of excess soils and prevent brownfield occurrences during the 2022 year.

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