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From: Marshall Byle [REDACTED]
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Hi Ms. Lawrie

I read through the proposed by-law and have a few questions and thoughts.

To start, I live in the municipality and have planted about 18,000 trees on our 28 acres of land. This is a managed forest and requires much thinning to keep the remaining forest healthy. Many trees bigger than the DBH stated in the by-law need to be removed. Surely I don't have to apply for a permit when managing my woodlot. Is there provision in this bylaw to allow for a managed forest?

Aerial surveillance of southern Ontario has shown that it has greened over the last 50 years. There is more tree growth than removal. I'm a lover of trees and promote planting. However, the town of Kincardine has more wooded ravines than most towns or cities. Do we really need such a by-law? It seems to me that this is a knee-jerk reaction to a few parcels of land that were cleared to build homes.

Marshall E. Byle