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By e-mail

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Dear Mayor:

As you may know, on March 26, 2019, Ontario passed the *Comprehensive Ontario Police Services Act, 2019* (Bill 68), which established the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA, 2019). The CSPA, 2019 supports our government's commitment to:

- Modernize Ontario's police service delivery framework;
- Strengthen public confidence in policing; and
- Improve governance, training, and transparency.

I am writing to update you on the work that is currently underway to bring the CSPA, 2019 into force in 2021, and inform you of upcoming engagement opportunities.

We are engaging a number of our stakeholders, to develop more than 50 required matters for regulation. These include several Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) related matters for regulation such as:

- Establishing OPP governance-related regulations, including the composition of OPP detachment boards and the OPP Governance Advisory Council;
- Developing an approach to determine when it is appropriate to have more than one OPP detachment board for a detachment of the OPP that provides policing to municipalities or First Nations;
- Aligning the existing OPP billing framework with the CSPA, 2019.

We recognize the significant implications these regulatory changes will have on communities that receive direct and/or supplemental services from the OPP.

Given these impacts, my ministry will engage communities through regional roundtable sessions. The regional roundtables will be an opportunity for the ministry to provide an overview of upcoming regulatory changes related to OPP services and for communities to identify pertinent local issues and provide feedback on OPP-related policy proposals.

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The regional roundtables will take place in the following locations:

OPP Region	Regional Roundtable Locations
North West	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kenora• Thunder Bay
North East	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sudbury• Timmins
West	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• London
East	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brockville
Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orillia

Ministry staff will reach out to you with additional information regarding the regional roundtable sessions in the coming weeks.

We look forward to continuing our work with you to better understand local priorities, examine strategies to improve community safety and ensure the transparent and effective governance of OPP services across the province.

Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Derwin Remedios, Team Lead, Strategic Policy, Research and Innovation, by e-mail at: Derwin.Remedios@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sylvia Jones', with a stylized, cursive script.

Sylvia Jones
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