

Staff proposed policy additions:

Part IV: Vision for Ontario’s Land Use Planning system

Proposed Policy Change by Staff	Description of staff proposal	Rationale
<p>New paragraph (staff suggestion)</p>	<p>Add a new paragraph to this section which speaks to the need for immediate actions to be taken at the provincial and local level to prevent climate change through a variety of actions which may include land use planning, energy conservation and planning, sustainable design, protection of natural areas, water systems and agricultural lands, servicing, transportation considerations, incentives, and other methods to fight climate change.</p>	<p>The addition of this wording recognizes that climate change exists. It further supports the policies related to climate change mitigation.</p>
<p>New wording for Paragraph 6 (staff suggestion)</p>	<p>Add the following words “and the environment, including the effects of climate change related to heat/cold, flooding, etc.” at the end of the sentence “It is equally important to protect the overall health and safety of the population.”</p>	<p>The addition of this wording recognizes that climate change exists. It further supports the policies related to climate change mitigation and adaptation.</p>
<p>New wording for Paragraph 7 (staff suggestion)</p>	<p>Revise the paragraph as follows:</p> <p>“Taking actions to mitigate climate change and conserve land and resources avoids the need for costly remedial measures to correct problems and supports economic and environmental principles.”</p>	<p>The addition of this wording recognizes that climate change exists. It further supports the policies related to climate change mitigation.</p>

Section 1.1 – Managing and Directing Land Use to Achieve Efficient and Resilient Development and Land Use Patterns

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<p>Added wording in the Preamble (staff suggestion)</p>	<p>Add the following words “, including from the effects of climate change,” before “and facilitating economic growth” so the sentence reads as follows:</p> <p>Efficient land use and development patterns support sustainability by promoting strong, liveable, healthy and resilient communities, protecting the environment and public health and safety, including from the effects of climate change, and facilitating economic growth.</p>	<p>The addition of this wording recognizes that climate change exists. It further supports the policies related to climate change mitigation and adaptation.</p>