

YOU'RE INVITED TO A TOWN HALL!

Let's Talk Climate Change with MP Mike Bossio

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The fight against climate change is one of the most important fights of our generation, and future generations depend on us. As a life-long environmentalist, from my days growing up learning good stewardship practices while hunting and fishing in Madoc in the 60s and 70s, to starting the first recycling program in my apartment building during my young professional days in Toronto in the 80s, to fighting as a community activist in Tyendinaga Township to protect our community's drinking water against the mega-dump expansion in Napanea from the 90s to today, one thing is clear:

I will never stop fighting to protect our environment, our community, and future generations.

Extreme weather events across Canada and the world are increasing—forest fires in the West, tornadoes in Ottawa, historic droughts and floods here in our own community. The science is clear and the impact on human lives is clear. We cannot leave it to our children to pay the vastly higher—even existential—costs of climate change. We know how to solve this, and it is our duty as parents, legislators, and citizens to act.

“A strong economy and healthy environment go hand-in-hand, and we are committed to leaving our children and grandchildren with a more sustainable and prosperous country”

– Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

I will be on hand to share information about the more than 50 measures our government is implementing to fight climate change, including the most effective one: putting a price on pollution. This is also an opportunity to ask questions and give your input on fighting climate change.

CLIMATE CHANGE TOWN HALL

WHEN: 10:00am to 11:30am, Saturday, March 30th, 2019
WHERE: Selby Community Hall
114-B Pleasant Drive, Selby, Greater Napanea

SUPPORT FOR FARMERS

On-farm fuel is exempt from the price on pollution.

Through low-till or no-till practices, good stewardship, Environmental Farm Plans, and more, farmers make great efforts to fight climate change, and unfortunately they are also one of the first to suffer from its effects through severe weather events like drought and flood. When farmers can't grow food, we are all in trouble.



CONSERVATION OF THE NAPANEE PLAIN ALVAR



With federal support, the Nature Conservancy of Canada added 78 acres to their protected Napanee Plain Alvar Nature Reserve, bringing the total conserved area to 300 acres. This is vital habitat for the endangered Eastern Loggerhead Shrike.

Our government is proud to support the conservation of species at risk and their habitat through the Natural Areas Conservation Program in Napanee. Protecting Canada's biodiversity is essential to preserving this important natural legacy.

DID YOU KNOW?

As a member of the Environment Committee, I advocated for increased protection for our lands and waters. In Budget 2018, the federal government put forward the largest ever investment, \$1.3 billion, to protect Canada's nature, parks, and wildspaces for our children and grandchildren.

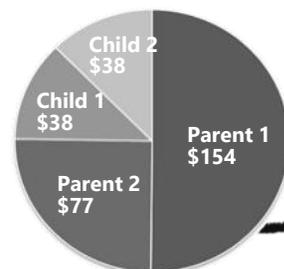
Ducks Unlimited Canada applauded this action "to protect Canada's natural heritage." I too am pleased that the Nature Fund can be used for conservation efforts on private land, which Ducks Unlimited Canada says are "often at the greatest risk and represent significant gains for biodiversity."



NEW FOR ONTARIO FAMILIES THE CLIMATE ACTION INCENTIVE

An average Ontario family of four will receive a \$307 Climate Action Incentive payment through their Income Tax and Benefit return this year. Climate change is a real threat. We are taking action. We are putting a price on carbon pollution to encourage everyone to pollute less and make cleaner choices. We're also keeping life affordable for families. The money collected by the federal government in Ontario is being returned to Ontarians through the new Climate Action Incentive. To receive the incentive, simply complete the schedule on your tax return.

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To recognize the special circumstances of Rural Communities, there will be a 10% top up to the payment if you live in a rural area (i.e. an area not within a Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) as recognized by Statistics Canada). In our riding, that includes all municipalities except Loyalist Township, which is part of the Kingston CMA, and Thurlow Ward, Tyendinaga Township, and Stirling-Rawdon Township, which are part of the Belleville CMA.