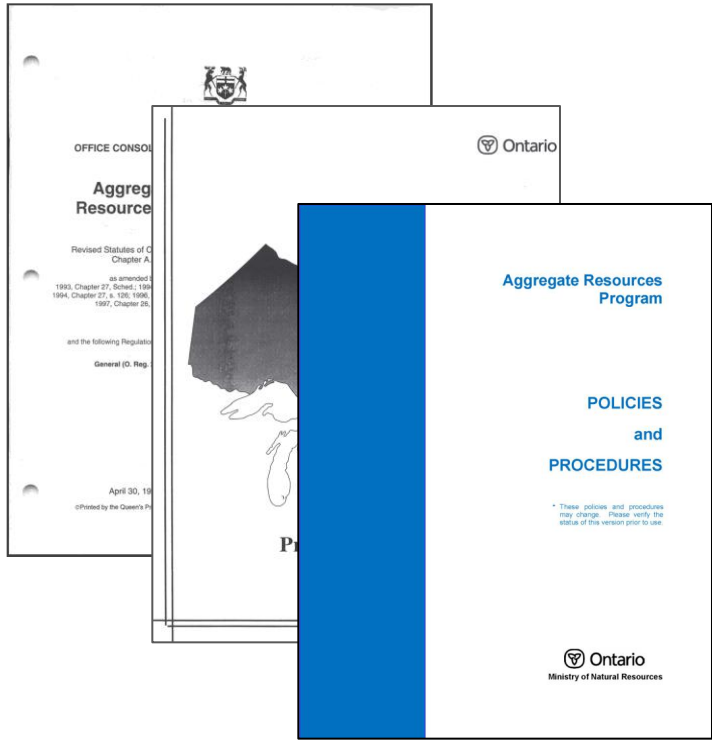
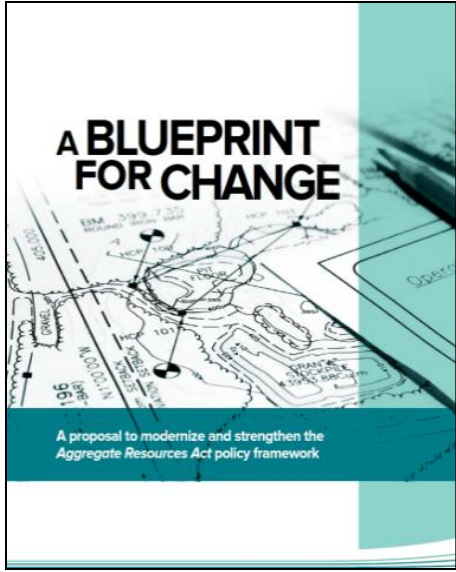
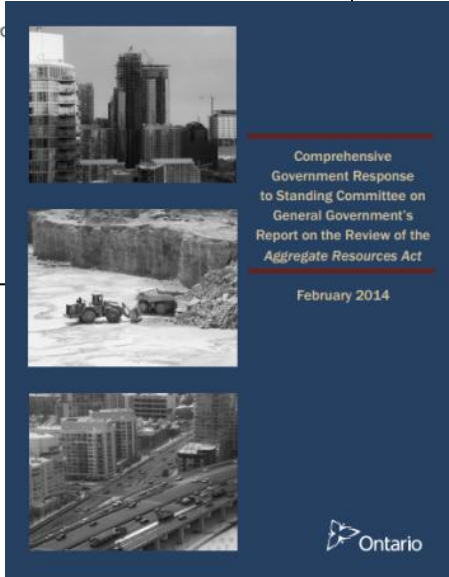


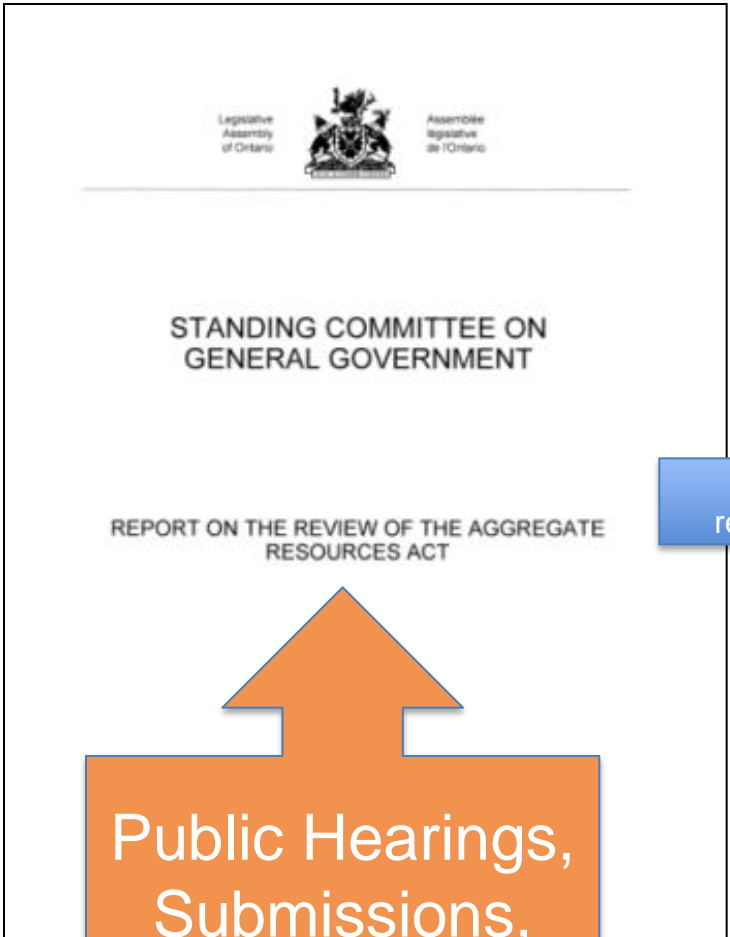
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Farmland Forum

April 8, 2016

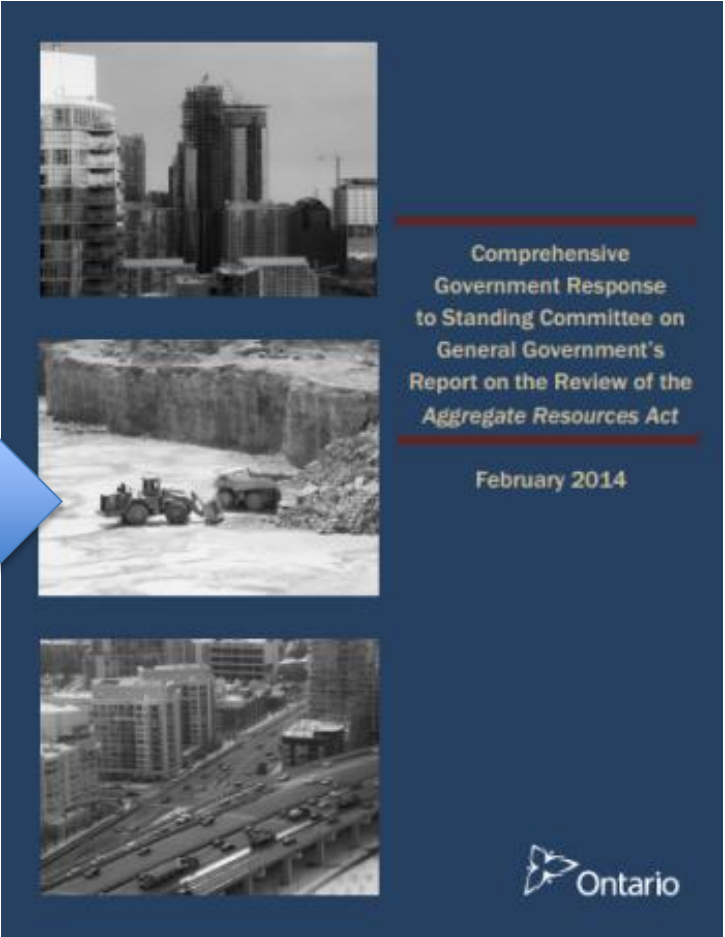


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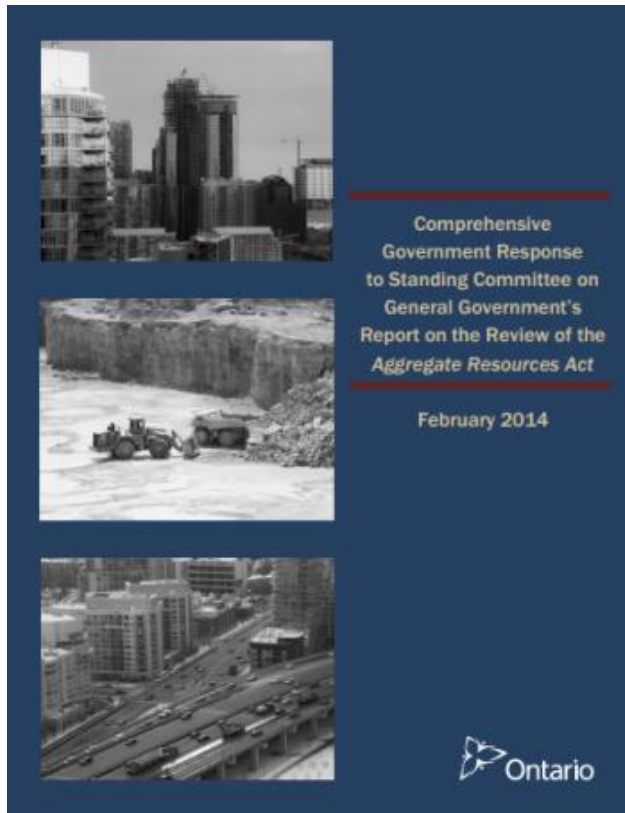


Public Hearings,
Submissions,
Research

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recommendations



What we heard: Fall 2014



- Predictable, adaptable processes and approvals
- Improved, accessible information
- Improved engagement and participation
- Increased oversight and government, ministry involvement
- Improved rehabilitation
- Increasing recycling through education and incentives
- Fees and royalties: equitable, address multiple purposes and principles

What was included in the Blueprint:



- Range of proposals across policy framework including legislation, regulation, Provincial Standards and policies
- Organized into 4 sections:
 1. Changes for Establishing New Sites
 2. Changes to the Management and Operation of Existing and Future Sites
 3. Changes to Fees and Royalties
 4. Other Proposed Changes

Outreach and Feedback



- Environmental Registry Posting for 55 days (Oct. 21 – Dec. 15)
- Notices to municipalities, key stakeholders
- Copies to regulated operators
- Stakeholder Meetings
- Copies to Aboriginal communities and organizations + three Sessions
- We received 400+ comments

What we heard:
Fall 2015



- ~ 50% of submissions asked for better protection of farmland and water (Food and Water First Campaign)
- Mixed reaction to several proposals (e.g., requiring studies and information on existing sites, tonnage conditions, permit by rule)
- Many concerns about reducing the frequency of self-compliance reports and clarifying the Minister's attendance at an OMB hearing
- Enhancing Studies and Information for new applications received the most comments; most were supportive but wanted enhancements to go further, some want reduced duplication and more streamlining

What we heard cont'd:



- Received many comments asking for improvements (beyond specific proposals identified in Blueprint), for example:
 - Better policy integration and streamlining
 - Improvements to inspection and enforcement
 - Improvements to rehabilitation and management of dormant sites
 - Better recognition of the 'interim nature' of aggregate operations
 - Better support for recycling

What we heard:
Comments &
proposals
related to
agriculture



Overall support for:

- Introduction of Agricultural Impact Assessments (AIAs)
 - Variations:
 - Include all land classes
 - Include best lands in region/county
 - Include specialty crop areas*
- Permit-by-rule for personal use
- Temporary farm licences (requests to waive fees, extend allowable timeframe)
- New reporting requirement for rehabilitation
- New record-keeping requirements for fill

*Specialty crops are included per Provincial Policy Statement definition.

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Aggregate Resources Act

Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990
Chapter A.8

as amended by:
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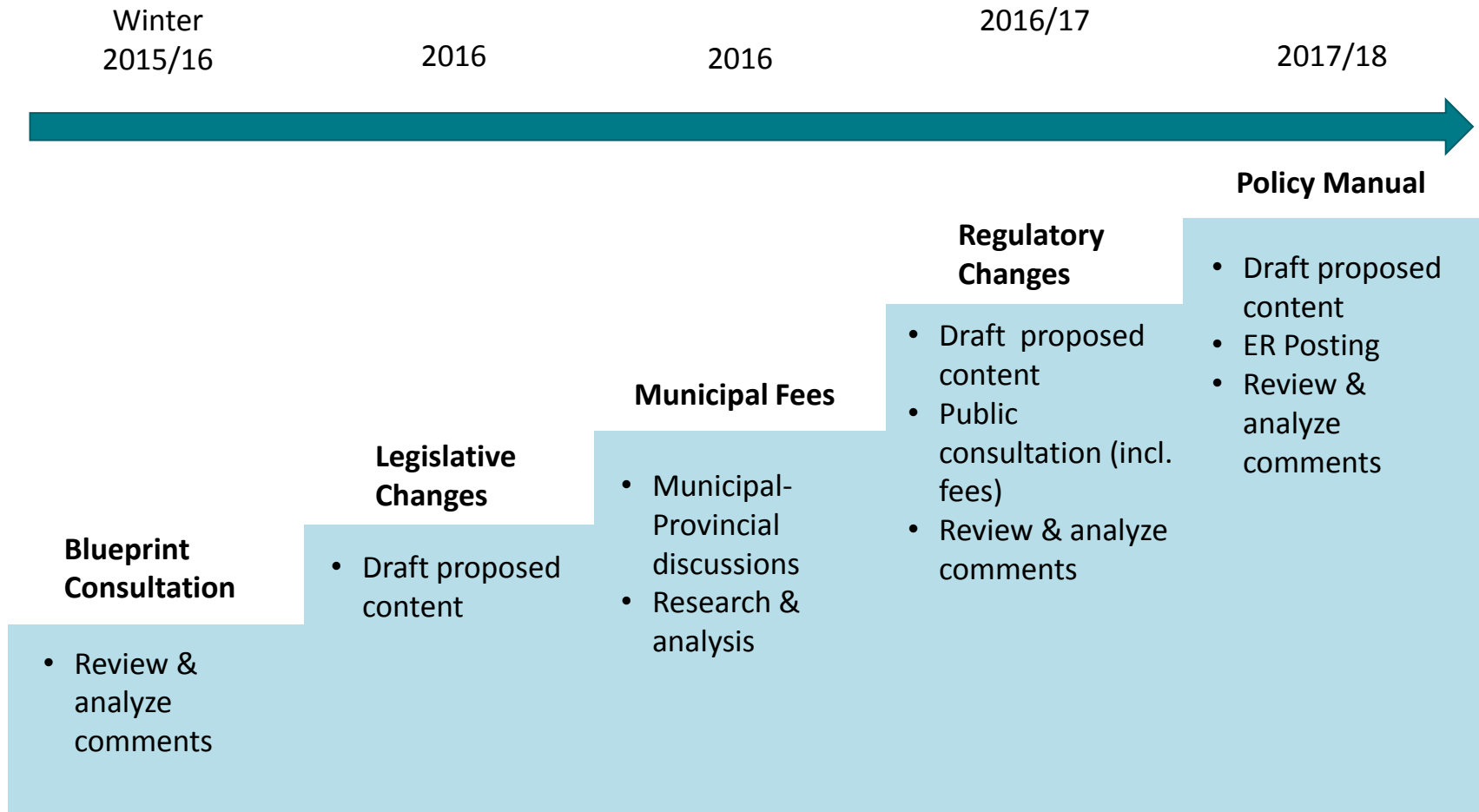
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More opportunities to provide input on details as we move forward

ARA Review Policy Development



Questions?