



# ONTARIO LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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## **Carleton Landowners Association - South March BESS Project**

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The Carleton Landowners Association, their Executive and members have taken a position regarding the Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) proposed for construction on Private Property on Marchurst Road, in rural West end Ottawa.

The position they have taken, which is fully supported by the Ontario Landowners Association, is Not to support the proposed construction of the BESS project on Marchurst Road. Although this project is to be constructed on Private Land which the OLA supports the right of a property owner to do as they wish with their land, this project falls within the doctrine of "do no harm to your neighbour".

BESS projects are proposed to be safe, until they are not. The CLA referred to the Wind Turbine projects of the McGuinty/Wynne government era. This foolhardy venture left behind private wells fouled and many people with health issues. The OLA was not and is not supportive of Wind Turbine projects. We see the BESS project to be in the same category of harm and nuisance.

Government must listen to what the people want, and not to developers and government organizations who are not caring of private property owner concerns. Wind Turbine projects are an example of their deaf ears.

The South March BESS project is wrong and must not go forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff D. Bogaerts". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Jeff D. Bogaerts  
President  
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