



**UPDATING AND CLARIFYING  
THE ONTARIO PROFESSIONAL  
GEOSCIENTISTS ACT, 2000**

Dear Members of the Public and Registered Professional Geoscientist

I'm reaching out on behalf of the Professional Geoscientist of Ontario (PGO) to seek your input on the effectiveness of the *Professional Geoscientists Act, 2000* (PGA) in regulating professional geoscience and potential changes in legislation which would further clarify and improve the practice of professional geoscience in Ontario.

PGO is responsible for regulating the practice of geoscience in Ontario under the authority of the PGA for the purpose of protecting the public interest and the environment. This is accomplished by ensuring high standards of qualification (knowledge and experience), ethical behavior and continuing professional development.

PGO is conducting a review of the PGA and is seeking input from the public and registered professional geoscientists. Your feedback is important to PGO and will be used as part of PGO's ongoing review of the legislative challenges and opportunities faced in regulating the profession. Recommendations for changes in legislation that would further clarify and improve the practice of professional geoscience in Ontario will then be submitted to Ontario's Ministry of Mines for their consideration.

You will find [here](#) a discussion paper which outlines the scope of PGO's review and key issues on which we are seeking input.

To provide your feedback to PGO, please email your written comments to [pgaconsultation@pgo.ca](mailto:pgaconsultation@pgo.ca) with "Public Consultation Feedback" as the subject line by August 5, 2023.

We look forward to receiving your feedback.

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