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I am a private land owner with a management plan in place through Western Woodlot Owners association (or whatever the official name is). I have no plans to destroy the forest on my land. We want it to grow and be restored but to do so, we need to do a lot of selective cutting to give room for other trees to grow and we replant trees at our own expense without draining the public purse to do so.

My issue with Bill 4 is simple: the Bill as it is now, is invasive, has too much power over land owners basic rights and would most likely not survive day 1 in court.

The intent of this bill at it is written now might be good but the powers given to government agents in this bill are worrisome.

I, like many others, have so very little faith in the government or any of its agencies to manage this bill properly, therefore its already on it way to become a cluster-you know what. My two cent.

The emergency order in this bill gives the power to a bureaucrat to prevent me from going to a walk in my own wedded 52 acres backyard. They probably would not issue this order but they are given that power to do so if they choose.

A strong new Bill will not replace all the laws and legislations already in place the government seems incapable of implementing in the field.

I hope o am wrong in saying this but I strongly feel nobody cares in the house unless it affects a re-election and the bill will pass no matter what we say because that is what government do.

Hopefully, our government will for once have the courage to do what is right.

Sent from my iPhone