

This piece of legislation calls for the defunding of OFRI, and redirecting these funds to a new entity called Sustainable Forestry Practices. The SFP is charged with:

- i) promoting forest health
- ii) incorporating regulation or monitoring of pesticide use in forests
- ii) employing adaptive resource management - as yet unspecified,
- iv) advancing climate science or climate policy as it relates to forest management.

We are writing in support of this bill and asking for two small amendments: points ii and iv, to change the "or" to "and".

Regulation without monitoring is meaningless, even if the monitoring is done by another agency such as EPA. Similarly, climate science without policy is powerless. Please support this bill with these amendments.