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Mr. Mac Bain
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Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
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Re: Feedback on AMO OPP Detachment Board Discussion Paper

Dear Mr. Bain,

We are responding to the feedback we have received on the AMO OPP Discussion Paper for the development of new OPP Detachment Boards released last spring. The negative response from FONOM and several northern municipalities was followed by several supportive resolutions from various DSSABs.

AMO has heard the initial concern expressed by FONOM around the idea of exploring the potential use of DSSABS for new OPP Detachment Boards in the north. AMO staff presented the nature of the feedback received to the AMO Board of Directors at their August 2020 meeting. After discussion, it was directed that AMO discontinue exploration around the idea of using DSSABs for new OPP Detachment Boards moving forward.

As new OPP Detachment Boards are established through regulation, AMO is appreciative of the feedback on the discussion paper. AMO will continue to receive additional input and advocate for the key principles that support connecting police and democratic governance as the goal behind creating new OPP Detachment Boards.

We thank you for your feedback and are pleased to respond accordingly after a full and informative discussion.

Sincerely,



Graydon Smith
AMO President
Mayor of the Town of Bracebridge