



The Rural and Northern Lens: A Dozen Questions

For Rural and Northern Ontario does the proposed initiative:

1. Benefit or hinder the fiscal realities of Rural and Northern Ontario?
2. Have a business case that accounts for low and sparse populations?
3. Enhance opportunities in Rural and Northern Ontario?
4. Help or hinder goals of sustainability blending environmental, social and economic factors?
5. Consider how and if rural people will be able to access it?
6. Consider all options for delivery, ensuring efficiency, the potential for co-delivery and an acceptable administrative impact on municipalities?

For Rural and Northern Ontario does the proposed initiative:

7. Account for the needs of special populations (such as youth, elderly and immigrants)?
8. Have adequate human and financial resources to be effective?
9. Ensure that Rural and Northern communities are receiving equitable treatment or services relative to others in the province?
10. Recognize the geography, weather and scale of Rural and Northern Ontario and include adjusted program criteria to accommodate these realities?
11. Accommodate the aspirations of residents from rural communities and the north?
12. Build upon the input and advice of rural residents, communities and municipalities?



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