

Greater clarity under amended land-use Act

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We need to plan for how land is used so people's needs for jobs, homes and recreation don't conflict with other land uses, like agriculture and conservation.

This land-use planning has to be a partnership. And the *Alberta Land Stewardship Amendment Act* – which passed in the Legislature yesterday – requires government to consult with Albertans when drafting regional plans.

The Act makes it clear property rights are protected: government can't take anyone's land without due process and must honour all rights to compensation and appeal.

For example, draft regional plans must be filed with the Legislative Assembly before they go to Cabinet for approval. And even after a regional plan is approved, anyone who is directly and adversely affected can ask for a review, and landowners can apply for a variance.

With the passing of Bill 10, it is now very clear that the shared benefits of land-use planning won't come at the expense of individual rights.

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