



## **Resolution #10, Middlesex Soil & Crop Improvement Association - Neonics**

WHEREAS recent research has shown neonics to be less significant to the bee and pollinator mortality than originally thought; and,

WHEREAS planter technology can and has been developed to keep neonics where they are applied; and,

WHEREAS no replacement technology exists for soybeans; and,

WHEREAS having neonics available will help with resistance management.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that OSCIA request OMAFRA and MOECC put a hold on the further restrictions in the current legislation.

*Moved by Birgit Martin, seconded by Kerrie Jenken (Middlesex).*

**Carried**

**SENT TO Jeff Leal, Minister of OMAFRA**

**COPIED TO Chris Ballard, Minister of MOECC.**

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## **RESPONSE FROM THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

Dear Mr. Graham:

Thank you for your letter of April 10, 2018 to Environment and Climate Change Minister Chris Ballard regarding municipal resolutions relating to neonicotinoid pesticides, and the recycling of plastics.

On behalf of the ministry, I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter, and to confirm that a reply will be sent as soon as possible.

In the meantime, should you have any questions or concerns, please have your office contact me at [jeff.arp@ontario.ca](mailto:jeff.arp@ontario.ca) or at 416-212-6694.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Jeff Arp  
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