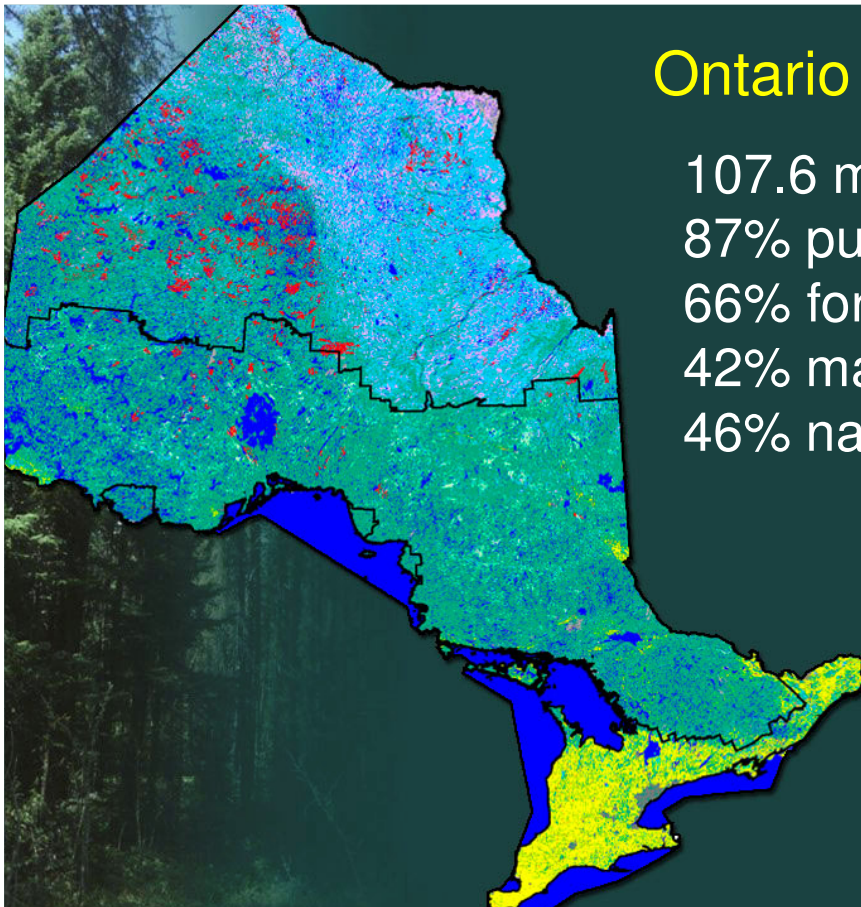




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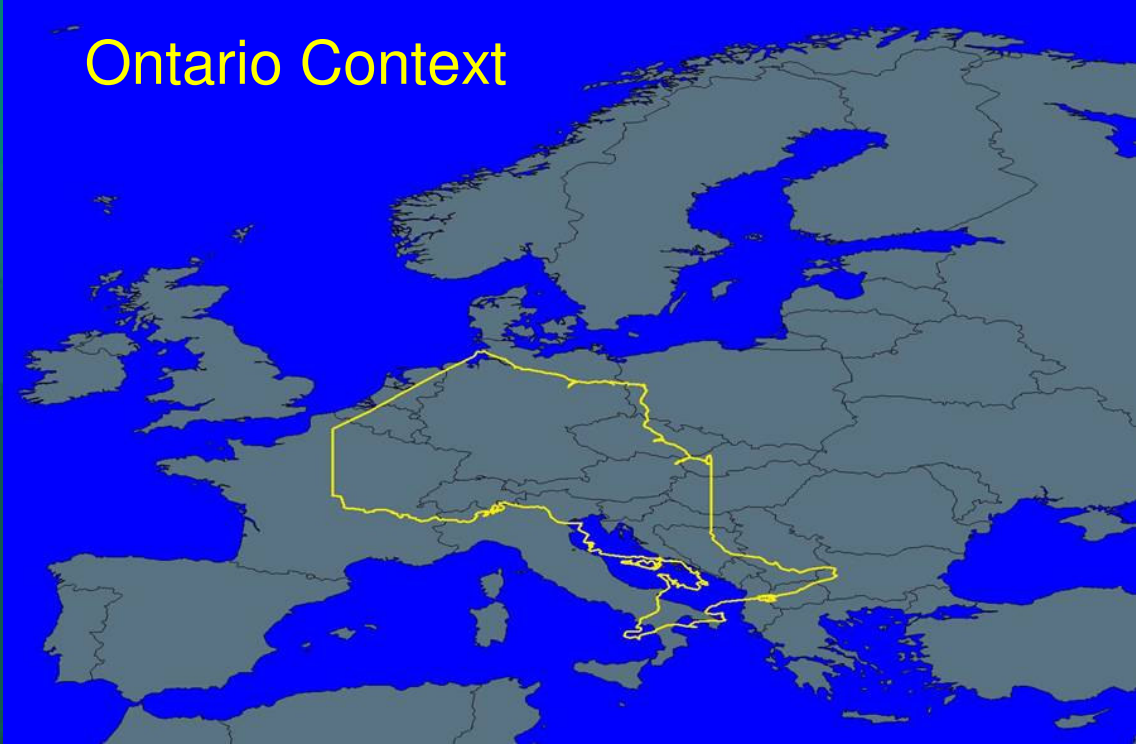


Ontario Context

107.6 million ha
87% public land
66% forested
42% managed
46% natural state

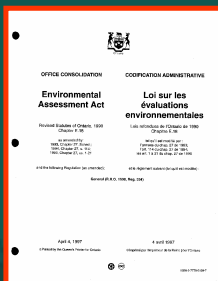
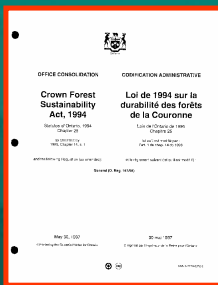
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Ontario's Legal and Forest Policy Framework

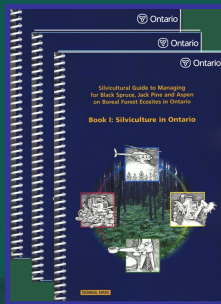
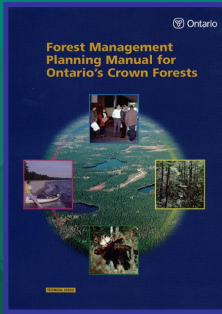


- Strategic Direction/Commitments
- Legislation/Regulations
- Forest policies & strategies
- Forest licenses
- Forest management plans
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Public Reporting

Founded on Sound Science and Info

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Public & Stakeholder Involvement



- Comprehensive Land Use Planning
 - Ontario Forest Accord
- Environmental Assessment
- Environmental Bill of Rights
- Forest Management Planning
 - Guides
 - Plans
- Monitoring and Reporting
- Committee Representation
 - Provincial, Regional, Local

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Public Consultation in Forest Management Planning



- Comprehensive consultation in forest management planning
 - 5 Opportunities
- Appeal mechanisms
 - Issue resolution
 - Individual Environmental Assessment
- Special approach for Aboriginal involvement

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Aboriginal Involvement

- Constitutional (legal) duty to “consult”
- Process described in the Planning Manual
 - Customized consultation & direct participation
- Other agreements
 - Union of Ontario Indians Forestry Framework under development
 - Anishinabek/Ontario Resources Management Council
 - Whitefeather

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Monitoring and Reporting

Monitoring

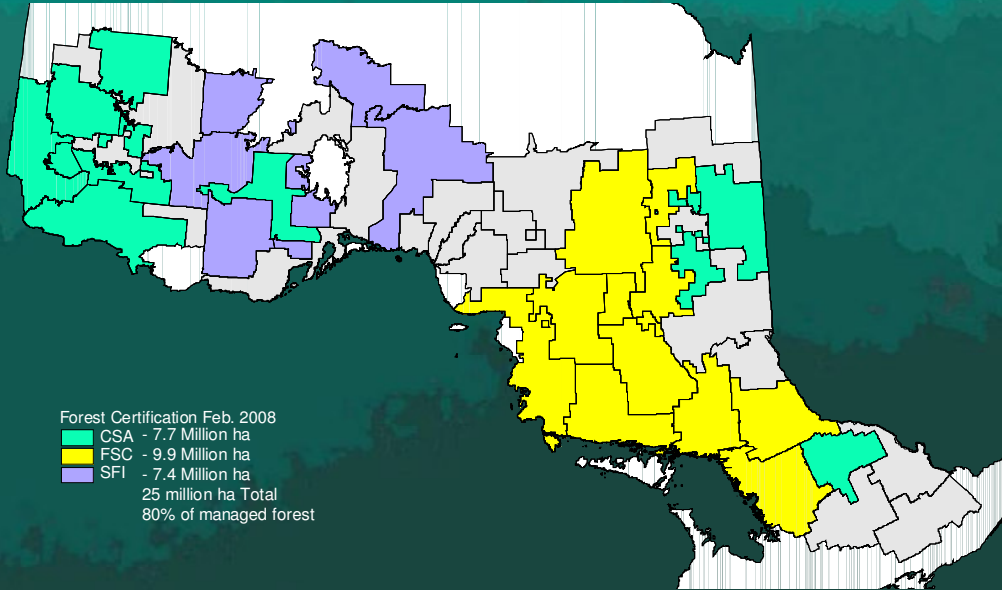
- Compliance inspection & enforcement
- Forest health, wildlife populations & guideline effectiveness
- Independent Forest Audit
- Mandatory third party forest certification
 - Forest Stewardship Council
 - Canadian Standards Association (PEFC)
 - Sustainable Forestry Initiative (PEFC)

Reporting

- Annual Report on Forest Management
- Five-year State of the Forest Report
- State of the Resource Report (e.g. caribou)
- Independent Forest Audit Reports
- Compliance and enforcement (website)

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Certification Progress in Ontario



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