



Statement reveals true colours

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Re: Quarry move a 'seat saver': Hudak, Review, May 5

Thank you Mr. Hudak, leader of the Ontario PC Party, for showing us your true colours.

We now know, beyond all shadow of a doubt, that it is your party's intention to support the interests of a Brazilian multi-billion dollar conglomerate (St Marys Cement is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Votorantim Cimentos) which seeks to exploit precious Canadian natural resources for profit and to bleed this community dry (both financially and hydrogeologically) through a protracted and unnecessary legal battle.

Protracted in that the war has now raged on for seven years (with two adjournments at the Ontario Municipal Board preliminary hearing in the past month at additional cost to the community). Unnecessary in that any reasonable person would quickly realize this is not an appropriate location for a huge open mine pit.

Fortunately, MPP Ted McMeekin and the Liberal Party recognized, following the receipt of hundreds of postcards, letters of objection and other communications from the community, that a critical provincial interest is being threatened by this quarry proposal.

Thankfully the current government realizes our environment is precious and that the interests of more than a thousand home and business owners, who have scratched and saved to acquire property interests, should not have their water threatened, their roads converted to death traps, their farms jeopardized and their quality of life destroyed. Sometimes the good of the many truly outweighs the profits of the few – we call it democracy.

People of Flamborough: remember this on election day!

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