

Media Advisory

Markdale event to discuss legislation that would make renewable energy a provincial priority

Frustration is growing in parts of rural Ontario where farmers, municipalities, First Nations, and local owners of green energy projects are unable to fully contribute to the future of Ontario's green electricity.

A Green Energy Act that would empower all Ontario residents to become power generators is being proposed by an alliance of agricultural, labour, industrial and environmental organizations.

A public meeting is being held in Markdale to explain the proposed legislation, which in Europe has proven to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, eliminate smog and create thousand of good jobs. For more information on the Green Energy Act, visit <http://www.greenenergyact.ca>.

WHAT:

A public meeting to discuss the proposed Green Energy Act for Ontario

WHO:

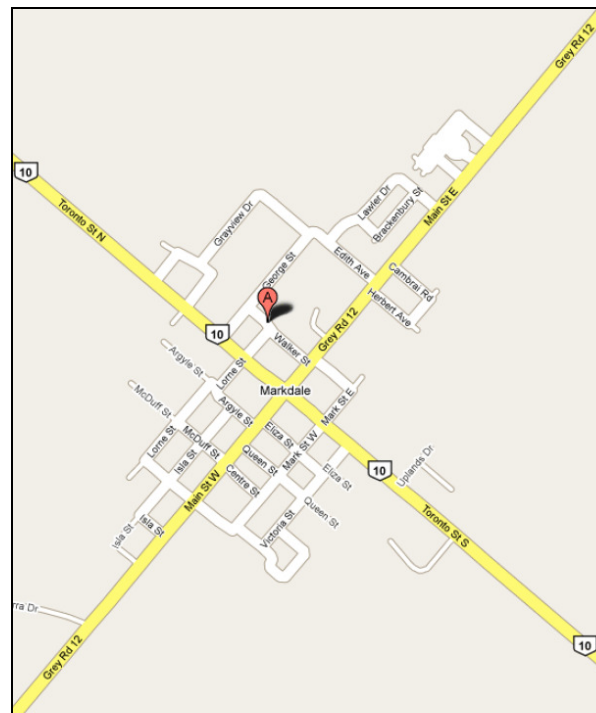
Ontario Federation of Agriculture
The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association,
member of the Green Energy Act Alliance

WHEN:

Tuesday, March 3, 2009
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

WHERE:

Markdale Community Centre
75 Walker Street,
Markdale, M0C1H0



Free Admission

For more information, contact:

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The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) is a dynamic farmer-led organization working to represent and champion the interests of Ontario farmers.

The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) works to initiate, facilitate and support the work of local sustainable energy organizations through membership services, province wide capacity building and non-partisan policy work. They work to catalyze the efforts of community organizers and raise awareness of the benefits of community power and renewable energy through various communication channels and by offering a variety of workshops and guidebooks on topics.