

# Pro-tree petition

People concerned about deforestation are being urged to lobby the Ontario government to stop widespread clear-cutting.

Alexandria area resident Stephanie Gagnon has started a petition which can be signed at [www.change.org/p/grant-crack-mpp-stop-land-clearing-and-save-the-remaining-forests-in-eastern-ontario](http://www.change.org/p/grant-crack-mpp-stop-land-clearing-and-save-the-remaining-forests-in-eastern-ontario).

The goal is to convince Glengarry-Prescott-Russell Liberal MPP Grant Crack to support a province-wide campaign to save trees.

"Large farms are getting larger, wildlife have fewer places to nest and live, spring flooding is an

issue where 150-acre clear-cuts have been made. The trees are shipped to be pelletized for "green" energy-fired power plants, then the cleared land is cropped for ethanol production, while each level of government maintains that it is the next level's responsibility," says Ms. Gagnon.

## Commitment

"Now is time to pause and take stock before it is too late. It will take courage and will require commitment to the future generations. We must all work together, but a halt to logging is needed before the last trees are felled and the effort is futile."