



February 14, 2025

**BY EMAIL**

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
Email: premier@ontario.ca

**Re: Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box**

At its Regular Council Meeting held on December 16, 2024, Council supported the enclosed correspondence dated December 10, 2024, from the Town of Deep River requesting the province to amend the Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box. Council calls upon the provincial government to provide services to the "ineligible sources" and amend the provincial regulation for producers to be responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources.

Council accordingly passed the following resolution:

**R24-12-566**

Moved By Councillor Allard  
Seconded By Councillor Verbeek

**That** the correspondence from the Town of Deep River regarding the request for the Province to Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21:Blue Box be received and supported; and

**That** a letter be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, and Anthony Leardi, MPP, Essex requesting that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21 regarding the Blue Box Program.

**Carried**



We trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Malandruccolo".

Joseph Malandruccolo  
Director, Legal and Legislative Services/Clerk  
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Enclosure

cc: Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
Anthony Leardi, Member of Provincial Parliament for Essex

**Subject:** Request for Province to Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024 11:21:31 AM

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To: The Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.  
The Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke.

Please see the following resolution of the Council of the Town of Deep River regarding Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, passed at the November 20, 2024 Meeting, and respectfully submitted for your consideration.

#### 4.3 Notices of Motion

##### 4.3.1 Request to Province to Amend the Blue Box Regulation Glenn Doncaster, Reeve, Town of Deep River

#### **RESOLUTION 2024 319**

**MOVED BY:** Reeve Doncaster

**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Hughes

**WHEREAS** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

**AND WHEREAS** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**AND WHEREAS** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation,

and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**AND WHEREAS** these costs this will further burden the municipalities' finances and potentially take resources away from vital infrastructure projects;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of recycling products from all sources;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be forwarded the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew, Nipissing Pembroke, and to all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards,

Jackie Mellon  
Clerk  
Town of Deep River

cc: All Ontario Municipalities



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