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To: Imagery Collection Partners

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**Subject:** New government funding for Ontario imagery

I am reaching out to provide an update on the Ministry of Natural Resources' imagery program. Earlier this year, Land Information Ontario transitioned to Geospatial Ontario (GEO). This change aims to enhance access to geospatial data and improve services for Ontarians.

As a part of this transition, the Government of Ontario will now fully fund the collection of aerial imagery across the province. Beginning this year, organizations that need imagery will no longer be required to contribute to the acquisition cost. Imagery acquisitions are scheduled to continue as planned. All imagery will be released under the Open Government Licence of Ontario, making it available to everyone as soon as it is ready as a mappable product. Regularly visit the <a href="Geospatial Ontario Imagery">Geospatial Ontario Imagery</a> <a href="Program">Program</a> page to stay up to date on future acquisitions, imagery releases and new public internet-based imagery services.

The transition to Geospatial Ontario allows us to centralize and modernize our geospatial services, making critical datasets more accessible. Please stay tuned for further updates on the availability of imagery and data services.

For further questions, please contact the imagery team at imagery@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

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