Hello TFACers!

I shared this link a few weeks ago, and Pat asked me to resubmit it for this month's meeting...... http://www.london.ca/residents/Environment/Trees-Forests/Pages/2019-Maple-Decline.aspx?fbclid=IwAR3bmbfaD-

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It talks about some of the problems London maple's are facing with an increase in fungi! I believe that this is climate related as we have had very unusual weather this summer - more rain than I've ever seen during the summer!

The reason why I'm interested in discussing news like this, is to find out how this information is being used?

Are these types of issues just 'noted and filed' in London files or are these reports making into the hands of those (provincially, nationally, globally) who are collecting data to better forecast future climates and conditions???

That's what's really important - to me - on this matter.... making sure London and area data is being shared with those who can use it!

And speaking of sharing information....

London has done a great job creating the TPS! Are we sharing our success, by-laws and legislation with other Ontario communities???

I believe that it's good to have open communications with other municipalities to share successes and failures, so we can all benefit from each other's experiences! Is this being done?

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