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**Subject:** RE: Someone needs to explain this to me.

Hi Carol,

As a follow up to Jennifer Barton's email yesterday, I would like to share some additional information in response to your concerns and questions about your raptors and the inspection carried out by the Animal Welfare Service (AWS).

The legislation and authority that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) administers is distinct from that of the AWS within the Ministry of the Solicitor General. The AWS, under their Provincial Animal Welfare Services (PAWS) Act, has full jurisdiction and authority for ensuring the protection of animal welfare in captivity, including carrying out inspections and issuing orders. I have reached out to Sara Munoz (Regional Supervisor - GTA Region, 705-796-2657, [Sara.Munoz@ontario.ca](mailto:Sara.Munoz@ontario.ca)) at AWS and shared your concerns with them. I asked they that reach out directly to you to discuss your concerns and answer any further questions you may have.

The MNRF is the contact for your authorizations under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act. I will continue to be your contact and will continue to provide advice and information to you in that area. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with the ministry. I trust this information is helpful.

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Carol,

Thank you for reaching out to the ministry and sharing your concerns with us. I have asked my team to follow up with our colleagues at PAWS on this matter. Both organizations have a role to play and we often work collaboratively to resolve issues.

Our team will get back to you shortly with more information.

Jennifer