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Notice number SMSE-010-12 "Consultation on Changes to the Canadian Table of Frequency Allocations
and to RBR-4 to allow for Amateur Radio Service Use in the 5 MHz Band."

I do believe that the mentioned frequencies are necessary because they allow for more reliable communications locally and long distance during emergencies. The emergencies like EMP (electro-magnetic pulse), strong solar storms, terrorist threats to the internet or wireless/landline infrastructure will compromise modern communication corridors as we know them. Having an intermediate frequency for amateurs to fall back on (60m) will insure a more reliable emergency network both locally and nation-wide. The structure of internet access and cell phone although desirable is still fragile and susceptible to damage no matter how redundant we make these links and electronics. We still need the "old workhorse" back up of rf analog and digital communications at the proposed new frequencies. They are just sitting mostly dormant so why not make good use of them.

Best regards,
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