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Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:52 AM
To: Karen Alison; Regional Clerk <ClerkGeneralLine@york.ca>
Subject: RE: The 6 Billion Dollar Pandemic Highway to Nowhere

Hello Karen, thank you for your email and I am in full support of your position on this 413 highway. I have never been a supporter of this highway because it is a detriment to our environment. I understand that the Province is positioning this as a goods movement highway to help stimulate the economy. It is my opinion that this highway is developer driven and will make many of these developers a whole lot of money. The Province also claims that it will create jobs and yes I agree with that but let's take a look at the developers who is the business of building roads, bridges and highways they are the same developers that the Premier has issued Ministerial Zoning Orders for development, an order which circumvents the public process.

The Province also needs to recognize that there is another sector of the economy that this highway will negatively impact and that is Agri-tourism. The Province needs to invest more money into this sector to promote and build Grown in Ontario. By doing so this will reduce our carbon footprint and keep our money in our local economy instead of having our dollars leaving our community and our Province and this is even more critical now as a result of the financial hardships the Pandemic has caused for our local businesses.

Jenni has my full support and stopping this highway, the Province should be focusing on building more transit to get cars off the road which will get rid of gridlock while greatly reducing the carbon footprint. We have done enough damage to the environment and it is now time to invest in repairing this damage.

Sincerely,

Annette Groves
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