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**To:** Regional Clerk <ClerkGeneralLine@york.ca>; Emmerson, Wayne <Wayne.Emmerson@york.ca>

**Cc:** 'David West' <david.west@richmondhill.ca>

**Subject:** Please Stop Highway 4131!

Dear Chairman Emmerson,

Although I have recently relocated to Newmarket, I have lived in Richmond Hill previously where I was very involved in environment and climate change issues and the important role our Municipalities have in protecting the critical natural infrastructures that the very health of our communities and families depend on. Richmond Hill among others has declared a Climate Emergency. Thank you for the times you have stood up as the Provincial Government openly and blatantly eats away at Protections that many have worked hard to put in place and to protect. We are counting on you again. Highway 413 must be opposed.

As a grandmother of two young boys growing up in Newmarket, I am particularly concerned, and speak out whenever I see environmental threats to rivers, water courses, and our precious green belt. The proposed Highway 413 is obviously a serious threat.

On March 18th, York Regional Council will consider whether to support a full federal environmental assessment (EA) for Highway 413 and the Bradford Bypass, which would bulldoze straight through the Holland Marsh. I urge you – for the sake of mine, yours and other grandchildren, to move a motion to oppose Highway 413, and vote to support a full Federal Environmental Assessment for both highways, so that no works can begin until we know all the facts about their environmental impacts.

Thank you for your urgent protection of our environment, air, and tax payers dollars.

Sincerely,

Monica Woodley

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