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

Subject: Hwy 413 and Bradford Bypass

To the Members of York Region Council:

Please do not waste \$6 billion dollars of taxpayer money to support Highway 413 and the Bradford Bypass! This money could be spent on transit and sustainable infrastructure, especially at a time when we need to embrace the circular economy and achieve net zero emissions. The proposed highways will hinder our ability to counter the devastating effects of climate change, putting the most vulnerable people in the world at risk.

Highway 413 will promote urban sprawl and destroy 400 acres of economically viable Greenbelt lands. It will cross rivers and water courses 85 times.

A provincial environmental assessment is insufficient. The province already stripped major sections out of the Highway's EA and changed the rules to allow construction to begin before the EA is even completed, so a federal EA is necessary to help determine the full impacts of these highways.

Please move a motion to oppose Highway 413 and the Bradford Bypass, 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 impact.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Burke, Thornhill Resident