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Subject: Cancellation of Highway #413

We heartily endorse Vaughan Council's decision to oppose the construction of Highway #413.

The construction would destroy a huge area of the Greenbelt and the sensitive ecosystems that are located within it. A colossal area of very productive farmland would also be taken out of production and be "lost" forever.

The claimed justification based on savings in time using the proposed highway versus using the existing highway/road network is flawed because it doesn't fully recognize the intent to further develop the existing highway and road system.

We urge York Regional Council to lobby for the Proposed Highway #413 to be cancelled.

The funding should be diverted to the updating, renovation and replacement of Ontario's long term care residences, retirement homes, nursing homes and campuses of care. The program for this work and the associated development of policies, procedures and protocols must be urgently addressed to be ready for the next Pandemic.

Yours truly,

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