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Subject: Proposed Highway 413 Opposition

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed Highway 413. I am a resident in the Town of Aurora who has and will continue to be active in protecting greenspace and the environment. THIS IS WRONG, We must keep this land for farming purposes. So much of our farmland and waterways have been destroyed by construction. This is our chance to save the Holland Marsh for ourselves and future generations. I shop weekly in the marsh buying locally grown vegetables and in the warmer months make many trips to the greenhouses for my gardens.

This development will destroy the natural waterways and pollute the remaining water. This will also affect the neighboring watercourses and lakes. This is a very special area and must be protected. It also supplies jobs for the economy, which are greatly needed. Many of the farms are passed by family members to the next generations. By allowing destruction of 400 acres of the Greenbelt the permanent effects of greenhouse gases and inviting urban sprawl is shameful. THIS IS WRONG.

Having an environmental assessment report is not sufficient. The Ford government has already stripped major parts of this process allowing articles to pass through the system. They should not be allowed to succeed in passing legislation after they have changed the rules to meet their goals. If every person changed the laws to suit their own needs, there would be utter chaos and only prove that legislation is not worth the paper it is written on. THIS IS WRONG. PLEASE STOP IT.

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Town of Aurora