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Dear York Region Council,

I am a resident of Georgina in Pefferlaw.

The Bradford By-Pass is due for a federal environmental assessment because 1. it is classified as a Physical Activity under the *Impact Assessment Act of 2019 (IAA 2019)*, 2. It will cause long term negative and adverse cumulative effects to Lake Simcoe, and 3. will negatively impact the inherent Treaty Rights of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, as per section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982.

1. The project falls within federal jurisdiction under section 50 of the Physical Activities Regulations (SOR/2019-285). Section 50 states:

The construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment of a new permanent causeway with a continuous length of 400 m or more through navigable water.

The Bradford By-Pass is a "permanent causeway," is over 400 metres in length, and runs through a navigable waterway being the Holland River.

2. Negative, adverse, and long-term cumulative effects will occur from urban sprawl associated with the Bradford By-Pass. Specifically, urban sprawl will impact the ecosystem of Lake Simcoe in an unsustainable format from road salts, industry and neighborhoods. Since cumulative effect management is a core purpose in the Impact Assessment Act of 2019, it should be reviewed federally.

3. The Chippewas of Georgina Island reside within the watershed of Lake Simcoe, and because the By-Pass will negatively impact the lake, so-to will there be impacts to Indigenous culture including the right to fish. Since protection of Indigenous rights under section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982 are a core purpose of the *IAA 2019*, this project should be subjected to a federal assessment.

In summary, for reasons of section 50 of the Physical Activities Regulations of the *IAA 2019*, cumulative impacts, and impacts to Indigenous rights, the Bradford By-Pass should be subjected to a federal impact assessment.

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