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Comments

Below is an excerpt from a presentation I made to the Meewasin Board a few years ago, when we were trying to get wildlife corridors included in the plans for the North Commuter Parkway where it was to cross the swale; "I'm happy our Mayor [Atchison] has publicly endorsed "land bridges" over the roadways in the swale, and grateful for his motion at the last Board meeting to investigate wildlife crossings over the Parkway. These would not only help animal species maintain their numbers, but would make the swale much more enjoyable and accessible for humans...I don't know what stage it's at but I'm hoping the investigation of wildlife corridors will include the possibility of an overpass over part of the swale.

And it might not just be animals we save by giving them a way to cross the road."

Of course we failed to get wildlife crossings, except for a small culvert for amphibians. It wouldn't have cost that much more to have installed several large culverts for deer, moose, foxes, rabbits etc. but rather than spend that money we were told not to worry: the speed limit would be only 50 kph. and that would allow the animals a good chance to cross safely.

Now, if that is no longer going to be the case, if the speed limit through the swale is to be raised, it's time to revisit the question of wildlife corridors. Let's install large culverts under the North Commuter Parkway now.

Then we can raise the speed limit and keep everyone safe, animals and humans.

If we're not willing to do that, the speed limit through the swale should be 50 kph as promised.

Please give the animals a chance.

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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