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**Subject:** Email - Communication - Carmen Gilmore - Northeast Swale Boundaries - CK 4205-40

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Submitted on Monday, February 6, 2023 - 13:27

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**I have read and understand the above statements.:** Yes

**Date:** Monday, February 06, 2023

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Carmen

**Last Name:** Gilmore

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

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**City:** Saskatoon

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S7S [REDACTED]

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Feb 8 City Council Meeting: Planning Development Community Services

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Proposal for NorthEast Swale Boundaries

**Comments:**

City staff recommendations on the North East Swale:

- fails to meet even minimum standards for protecting the sharp-tailed grouse dancing ground in the Northeast Swale
- fails to protect all known areas of high-quality habitat and biodiversity hotspots
- fails to address the need for functional habitat connectivity between the Northeast and Small Swales
- fails to adequately buffer the hydrologically sensitive Small Swale
- fails to reroute commuter traffic away from the Ecological Core of the Northeast Swale

I support the North East Swale Watchers recommendations that:

- The Swale Protected Area includes all remaining natural grasslands and areas of high biodiversity value, as documented in recent studies. No significant development would be permitted in the Protected Area.
- The Swale Borders includes buffers and wildlife corridors necessary to safeguard the ecological and hydrological functioning of the Protected Area. "Soft" development such as trails, linear parks, storm water ponds and other amenities could be situated in the naturalized Swale Borders.

**Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting?: No**