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Endorsement - CK 4205-40

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Submitted values are:

I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: John J

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Province: Saskatchewan

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments? (if known):: Council Meeting on Feb 22, 2023

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 9.3.1 (Northeast Swale and Small Swale Boundary Endorsement

Comments:

City Council has generally agreed to preserve the Northeast Swale and Small Swale as an ecologically protected area. However, in order or provide ecological protection, you cannot simply carve out a small core area and expect it to be sufficient. A larger area is required to provide a contiguous space to actually provide a viable habitat. Buffer zones are also required to protect these sensitive areas from the disruptive inclusion of noise, artificial light, street water run off, and wind blowing in invasive seeds.

Saskatoon is fortunate to have natural areas within its boundaries, but they are seriously threatened by residential sprawl.

I would therefore request that City Council supports the boundary recommendations made by the Northeast Swalewatchers. The larger boundaries would also support the MVA's efforts to have the Meewasin Valley area designated as a National Urban Park (hopefully with some Federal financial support resulting).

Thank you for your consideration.

John J Penner

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