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Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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First Name: Carly

Last Name: Schmidt

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I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Patrick Cres

Ward: Ward 10

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What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Standing Policy Committee on Transportation

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Agenda Item 7.2.1

Comments:

Dear Committee Members,

As a former resident of Calgary during construction of the Southwest Ring Road, I have witnessed first-hand the devastation caused by projects such as the proposed Saskatoon Freeway on environmentally-sensitive areas.

I am writing you today in favour of the Swale Watchers recommendations which state:

Swale Watchers two urgent recommendations for Saskatoon City Council:

1. Given that the Biological Assessment and the Functional Planning Study for Phase 2 of the Saskatoon Freeway demonstrate that irreversible harm would befall the Northeast and Small Swales –two of Saskatoon’s most valuable and valued natural areas—if the project proceeds as planned, we urge you NOT to endorse the Functional Planning Study for Phase 2 of the Saskatoon Freeway.

2. Recognizing that the ultimate authority over where, when or if this project is completed lies with the province, rather than with the City of Saskatoon, we urge you to call on the Government of Saskatchewan to choose a route for the Saskatoon Freeway that does not intrude on the Swales and to guarantee that the project will be subject to a thorough, impartial Environmental Impact Assessment.

Sincerely,

Carly Schmidt
Environmental Scientist

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