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Date: Monday, March 04, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Tara

Last Name: Kooy

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Willingdon Pl

Ward: Ward 2

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

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,

I am a concerned citizen of Saskatoon who cares about the environmental impacts of our expanding footprint on the surrounding ecosystems. So I am writing to 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.

Just because we want the convenience and accessibility of this proposed plan, we cannot simply carve it through vulnerable environments. This is short sighted and does a disservice to current, and especially future, members of our community.

Sincerely,
Tara Kooy

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