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**Subject:** Email - Communication - Rowan Fowlie-Neufeld - Saskatoon Freeway Planning Study – Phase 2 Endorsement - CK 6003-1  
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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Monday, March 04, 2024

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

**Pronouns:** They/them/theirs

**First Name:** Rowan

**Last Name:** Fowlie-Neufeld

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Row-en

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 5th St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

**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 ?:** 7.2.1

**Comments:**

Please see attached letter.

**Attachments:**

- [Swale Letter to City.docx](#)15.51 KB

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

Dear Committee Members,

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.

And on a personal note, the NE Swale is an important place to me. It is one of the primary places in the Saskatoon area that I visit and connect to nature in—from visiting the crocuses in Spring to listening to the Western Meadowlark’s song throughout the Summer.

It would be deeply disappointing to see this important natural area negatively impacted by the proposed Saskatoon Freeway. It’s a gift that should be protected from undue ecological stress.

Sincerely,

Rowan Fowlie-Neufeld  
Saskatoon, SK  
Treaty Six