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Date: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Jessica

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Ward: Ward 5

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 ?: Saskatoon Freeway Planning Study – Phase 2 Endorsement Request

Comments:

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.

These natural spaces are invaluable to the at risk species that live there, and to our own future generations. We need to keep these spaces pristine and pure so that our Prairie ecosystems can survive and thrive and our children can grow up in a world with natural spaces and ecosystems preserved. The swales are uniquely valuable ecosystems and should be protected at all costs. Please urge decision makers to choose an alternate route for the new freeway.

Sincerely,
Jessica Hoehn

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