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Date: Monday, March 04, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Barbara

Last Name: Hanbidge

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: 306

Phone Number: 306

Email:

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward: Address: 3rd Street East

Ward: Ward 6

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## **Comments:**

To whom it may concern

I support the recommendations of the Swale Watchers and urge City Council to follow these recommendations as listed below:

- 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.

Saskatoon has been my home for almost my entire life. We have many wonderful museums that focus on our pioneers, the arts, First Nations however we have nothing with the focus on Nature in the way the Swales could if we allow this to happen.

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for our City. Please consider the larger global perspective when making your decisions.

My sincere thanks.

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