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**Subject:** Comments - Jonathan Fortier - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**To:** Her Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**First Name:** Jonathan

**Last Name:** Fortier

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Mahabir Court

**Ward:** Ward 10

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Wednesday March 11, 2026

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

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Sincerely,

Jonathan Fortier

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Murray Gross - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Murray

**Last Name:** Gross

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] University Drive Saskatoon, SK S7N [REDACTED]

**Ward:** Not Sure

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely,  
Murray Gross

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Glennis Killoran - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Glennis

**Last Name:** Killoran

**Phone Number :** (306) [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Central PI

**Ward:** Ward 1

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Glennis Killoran

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely, Glennis Killoran

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
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**Subject:** Comments - Joanne Augusta - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Joanne

**Last Name:** Augusta

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Willis Cres

**Ward:** Ward 7

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

Saskatoon has a great natural asset in its Swales. It is important to protect them in their entirety

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Sincerely, Joanne Augusta

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Kristi Fedoroff - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Kristi

**Last Name:** Fedoroff

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] University Drive

**Ward:** Ward 6

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

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Sincerely,  
Kristi J Fedoroff

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Ulrich Teucher - Proposed National Urban Park Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Ulrich

**Last Name:** Teucher

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** OOL-rikh Toy-ker

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 6th St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Green Sanctuary, Unitarian Congregation Saskatoon

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Proposed National Urban Park boundaries

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Swale

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors. I am very concerned about the apparent reduction of the Swale boundaries that were determined in 2023. The Swale is a sensitive and unusually beautiful gem of protected area that my wife and I have enjoyed visiting - despite the foreboding WALL of housing to the southeast, and throttled by the increasing traffic on McOrmond Drive and Fedoruk Road. The area

is already so very small within its originally proposed 2023 boundaries that some might say: "why bother, seal it and pave it all over?" I wish we could all live in some rudimentary semblance of co-existence with nature also within our city and not push out non-human life beyond the boundaries of our city - against the other communities that are themselves expanding around Saskatoon. The state of the natural environment in our world is fragile enough, some say close to collapse. Please, let us in our city along the fast-flowing waters do our share in preserving an ever decreasing liveable environment for all of life in our city. Our planet will not survive by human life alone. Thank you.

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Cathy

**Last Name:** Holtlander

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Cathy HOLTS-lander

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Cairns Avenue

**Ward:** Ward 6

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

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Sincerely,

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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Julia

**Last Name:** Adamson

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Memorial Healing Forest GPS

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [friendsafforestation@gmail.com](mailto:friendsafforestation@gmail.com)

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Appleby Crt

**Ward:** Ward 2

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** : March 7, 2026 To: The Governance and Priorities Standing Policy Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Item 6.2.2 – National Urban Park: Vision, Governance, and Boundaries [GPC 2024-0603]

**Comments:**

Letter attached

**Attachments:**

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- **Deputy Mayor, K. MacDonald, Chair, members of the Governance and Priority Committee**

**Letter of Representation: Request for Resolution**

**Date:** March 7, 2026 **To:** The Governance and Priorities Standing Policy Committee **Re:** Item 6.2.2 – National Urban Park: Vision, Governance, and Boundaries [GPC 2024-0603]

On behalf of the **Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.**, we submit this formal request for resolution. Saskatoon stands at a historic crossroads. Being chosen as a site for a National Urban Park (NUP) is a distinguished honor that brings federal investment, elite conservation status, and a significant boost to our city's national profile. To truly honor this prestige, we must start on the right foot by setting a National and Global example of conservation excellence.

**Requests for Resolution:**

We respectfully urge the Committee to:

1. **Move to Vote NO** on Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary as presented in Appendix 3.
2. **Move to Vote YES** on a resolution to align the NUP boundary with the **2023 Council-approved conservation boundaries** for the Small and Northeast Swales. These boundaries were based on rigorous science.
3. **Include the 148 acre George Genereux Urban Regional Park** and the full extent of the 326 acre **Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area** in the National Urban Park to maximize federal investment in climate resilience and biodiversity. Given that these naturalized lands were preserved in perpetuity by City Council in 1972, their exclusion is a missed opportunity. We request clarification on the criteria used to determine these NUP borders and advocate for their inclusion as a "worthwhile cause" for the city's natural heritage. Excluding these lands from the NUP boundaries ignores the primary mandate of Parks Canada to protect biodiversity and contradicts the very essence of a National Urban Park.

**1. A Prestigious Opportunity for Leadership** A National Urban Park is more than just a park; it is a catalyst for urban renovation and economic growth. This designation transforms underutilized areas into high-value green spaces that attract tourism, create jobs, and

improve the quality of life for all residents. To capture the full "elite status" of this program, Saskatoon must ensure its boundaries reflect our most ecologically valuable assets.

**2. Protecting the "Tree of Life" in a Growing City** As our population moves toward one million by 2063, we are also navigating the Sixth Silent Mass Extinction event in our biodiversity (the Holocene Extinction). City Councils have a moral and political imperative to act as the frontline defense against this "mutilation of the tree of life." By protecting the **Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area** and **George Genereux Urban Regional Park**—home to over 63 species at risk—Saskatoon can implement nature-based solutions that mitigate the "urban heat island" effect and manage floods in a "warmer, wetter, and wilder" climate. Preserving these "green lungs" in their entirety is our best defense against the volatile weather patterns facing our prairie province. Saskatoon can actively fight this global crisis through local land-use policy.

**3. A Regressive "Staged Approach"** We are deeply concerned by the current strategy of a "staged approach" which seeks to first define a boundary based on "greatest feasibility" with the intent to "later review refinement opportunities post-designation." This feels like a step backward. A National Urban Park is a generational commitment. The provisional boundary definition within the initial NUP Designation Agreement should not be a "placeholder" of convenience; *a provisional boundary must be robust and centered on the very essence of what a National Urban Park means for Saskatoon. Settling for a diminished boundary now undermines the scientific and ecological integrity of the project from day one. It means you do not truly value the designation of having a NUP in our fair city.*

**4. Alignment with United Nations Global Decades** Our National Urban Park should be the crown jewel of Saskatoon's commitment to the Global Covenant of Mayors. Saskatoon has a unique opportunity to lead the world by aligning its NUP boundaries to include the full extent of our afforested lands and Swales, and thus align Saskatoon with: with several critical **United Nations Decades**:

**Alignment with United Nations Global Mandates Decade for Afforestation and Reforestation (2026–2035):** Our lands are a direct legacy of this mission. Excluding them during the very decade meant to celebrate them is counter-intuitive.

- **Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021–2030):** These areas represent a 50-year success story in restoring naturalized prairie and forest ecosystems.
- **International Decade of Sciences for Sustainable Development (2024–2033):** The Swales and afforestation areas are living laboratories for conservation science.
- **Decade of Sustainable Transport & Healthy Ageing (2021–2030):** Protecting these spaces ensures accessible, low-carbon active transportation routes that support the mental and physical well-being of Saskatoon's aging population.

**5. Upholding Council's Legacy:** The 2023 Swale Endorsement: We are deeply concerned that the [2026 Provisional Boundary \(Appendix 3\)](#) retreats from the [February 22, 2023 Council endorsement \(6-2\)](#) of the Small and Northeast Swale conservation boundaries. This reduction in protection contradicts established conservation science and undermines the prestige of the NUP. A National Urban Park should expand our environmental standards,

not diminish them. *Excluding these swale lands and afforestation areas from the NUP boundaries ignores the primary mandate of Parks Canada to protect biodiversity and contradicts the very essence of a National Urban Park.*

Let us seize this moment to lead by example. Saskatoon has the chance to create a park that speaks to the world. Let us ensure we build it on the foundation of the best available science and our own established council commitments. Let us ensure that Saskatoon's National Urban Park is a world-class legacy that protects our nature, celebrates our heritage, and safeguards our future.

Respectfully submitted,



**Julia Adamson**

Chair

Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas <https://stbarbebaker.wordpress.com>

Registered Environmental Charity – Accredited through the UNEP

Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area and George Genereux Urban Regional Park

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**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Sonja Vrinten - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Sonja

**Last Name:** Vrinten

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] McKercher Dr

**Ward:** Ward 8

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear honourable Mayor & council:

Please consider the valuable resource and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary and YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Beyond being natural habitat to many native species, the swales are a champion in carbon capture, far outperforming any made direct air capture facilities. Consider the dollar value of this resource if nothing else.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Brooke Maatman - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Brooke

**Last Name:** Maatman

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** Yes

**Address:** P.O. Box [REDACTED]

**City:** Meota

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S0m [REDACTED]

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Brooke Maatman

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and priorities

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely,

Brooke

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Angela Sykes - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Angela

**Last Name:** Sykes

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Anderson Cres

**Ward:** Ward 8

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

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**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

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Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,  
Angela

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Richard Huziak - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Saturday, March 7, 2026 9:39:23 PM  
**Attachments:** [Swale Boundaries 260307.pdf](#)

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Submitted on Saturday, March 7, 2026 - 21:35

Submitted by user: Anonymous

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Richard

**Last Name:** Huziak

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Richard WHO-zee-ack

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Maple Street, Saskatoon, S7J [REDACTED]

**Ward:** Ward 7

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Letter/comments are attached. Thank you.

**Attachments:**

- [Swale Boundaries 260307.pdf](#) 71.09 KB

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

7 March 2026  
Governance and Priorities Committee

RE: Mar. 11, 2026 meeting

Dear Committee Members,

I continue to be exceptionally concerned that the proposed National Urban Park boundaries around the Small Swale and the Northeast Swales have sharply reduced from the boundaries endorsed by Council on February 22, 2023. (Appendix 4 in your current agenda)

Council endorsed the February 2023 boundaries for good reasons, including that they were supported by the community during the public commentary phase and by the principles and data of conservation science, including by commissioned scientific surveys of the areas that identified important species within the February 2023 indicated boundaries. Those studies seem to have been completely ignored by whomever has now clawed back lands that are best suited for the theme of Natural Urban Parks. Those boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats. Without these buffers, it is very likely that the core areas of the Urban Park will erode quickly over time, especially once urbanization has been introduced abutting the Park by the future UH3 neighbourhood. The buffers even become more important since once the Park borders are fully established, even the MVA will further eat into the buffer lands with groomed naturalized parks, pathways, lighting and other “urbanized” features that will remove more natural buffer space, as it has on the east side of the Northeast Swale abutting Aspen Ridge.

It remains simply non-visionary that even the north end of the Small Swale is not shown within the boundaries of the NUP even though the studies of the area (done in conjunction with future Freeway construction) show fragile species at risk on land that already is owned by the City.

**I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:**

- 1) Propose a motion and **vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3** based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.
- 2) Propose a motion and **vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries** of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

I further strongly argue that the Committee express their deepest concern that snow dumping continues in the Small Swale and that sumping should be immediately discontinued (by fall of 2026) because continued contamination of the Small Swale waterway does not need to be passed onto future issues that the MVA will have to address when they inherit pre-contaminated and compromised NUP lands.

Sincerely,  
Richard Huziak  
Saskatoon, SK

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Sharissa Hantke - National Urban Park Boundaries  
**Date:** Saturday, March 7, 2026 10:00:01 PM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Sharissa

**Last Name:** Hantke

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 28th St W

**Ward:** Ward 2

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,  
Sharissa Hantke

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Morgan Reschny - National Urban Park Boundaries  
**Date:** Saturday, March 7, 2026 11:00:19 PM

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Submitted on Saturday, March 7, 2026 - 23:00

Submitted by user: Anonymous

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Morgan

**Last Name:** Reschny

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** Yes

**Address:** [REDACTED] Marrello Road

**City:** Nelson

**Province:** British Columbia

**Postal Code:** V1L [REDACTED]

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I may currently live in Nelson, but I was born and raised in Saskatoon for the first 31 years of my life, and the prairies will always be my heart home.

I spent many years visiting the Swale, sharing it with others, and learning about its ecological significance during my degree at USask. It is such a gem to have with city limits.

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and

Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,  
Morgan Reschny

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Crystal Shain - National Urban Park Boundaries  
**Date:** Saturday, March 7, 2026 11:59:26 PM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 07, 2026

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

**First Name:** Crystal

**Last Name:** Shain

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Ave L S

**Ward:** Not Sure

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,  
Crystal Shain

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Kristie Romanow - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 8:47:26 AM

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Submitted on Sunday, March 8, 2026 - 08:38

Submitted by user: Anonymous

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**First Name:** Kristie

**Last Name:** Romanow

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Brookmore Lane

**Ward:** Ward 8

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited to see that there is still work on the national urban park, but am also very concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries. Specifically, around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4).

The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the

community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with important buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

1. Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.
2. Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

With great sincerity,

Kristie Romanow

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Lynnea Moore - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 9:07:48 AM

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Submitted by user: Anonymous

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Lynnea

**Last Name:** Moore

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Wakabayashi Cres

**Ward:** Ward 5

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Lynnea Moore

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely, Lynnea Moore

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Elizabeth Bekolay - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 9:25:07 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Elizabeth

**Last Name:** Bekolay

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:**

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Ave F N

**Ward:** Ward 2

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Elizabeth Bekolay

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the

proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Bekolay

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Rena Bartsch - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 9:47:42 AM

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**First Name:** Rena

**Last Name:** Bartsch

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Albert Ave

**Ward:** Ward 6

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I was very excited to see that parts of both the Small and NorthEast Swale are being included in the proposed National Urban Park. However, I am appalled that the t proposed National Urban Park boundaries are reduced from previous plans already endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect

ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,

Rena Bartsch

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Karen Davidson - North East Swale Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 10:35:54 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Karen

**Last Name:** Davidson

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Kristjanson Rd [REDACTED]

**Ward:** Not Sure

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

I strongly oppose changing the North east Swale boundaries as defined in 2023. Changing the boundaries shows the city's lack of commitment to protect this sensitive area and heralding how important it is to Saskatoon's urban planning ethics.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Kara Hume - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 11:25:30 AM

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Kara

**Last Name:** Hume

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] McKercher Dr

**Ward:** Ward 8

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Lesa Shea Giesbrecht - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 12:58:51 PM

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Submitted by user: Anonymous

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**First Name:** Lesa Shea

**Last Name:** Giesbrecht

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Lee-suh Shay /G/eez-brekt

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Weyakwin Dr

**Ward:** Ward 9

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect

ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

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Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,

Lesa Shea Giesbrecht, Master's student of Conservation Biology

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Katie Salmers - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 2:29:26 PM

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Submitted on Sunday, March 8, 2026 - 14:27

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Submitted values are:

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**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Katie

**Last Name:** Salmers

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Kay-tee Sol-murs

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 6th St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited that there is still work on the national urban park, but I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and

Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

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Sincerely,  
Katie Salmers.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Kenneth Wilson - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 3:14:50 PM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Kenneth

**Last Name:** Wilson

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Kenneth

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** Yes

**Address:** [REDACTED] College Avenue

**City:** Regina

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S4T 1V8

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Governance and Priorities Committee

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Committee Members,

I am excited about the proposed National Urban Park. I live in Regina, not Saskatoon, and I'm aware of the tremendous asset your city has in the Small and Northeast Swales. I wish Regina had something close to them in value and beauty, but it doesn't, since the grassland around here has been almost completely destroyed.

However, I am very worried about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries, specifically around the Small and Northeast Swales (Appendix 4). The newly proposed boundaries reduce the amount of protection of the Small and Northeast Swales endorsed by council on February 22, 2023.

City Council's (6-2) endorsement of those conservation boundaries was strongly supported by the community and by the principles and data of conservation science. These boundaries protect ecologically valuable areas of both Swales, with buffers to safeguard these assets from invasive species, contamination, and other threats.

I am writing with two requests, that the Committee:

1. Propose a motion and vote NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.
2. Propose a motion and vote YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Sincerely,

Ken Wilson  
[REDACTED] College Ave.  
Regina, SK

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Janet McVittie - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 8, 2026 4:01:51 PM  
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Submitted on Sunday, March 8, 2026 - 16:00

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**I have read and understand the above statements.:** Yes

**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 08, 2026

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

**First Name:** Janet

**Last Name:** McVittie

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** McVittie

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Cavers Street

**Ward:** Ward 1

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):** Wednesday, March 11

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** National Urban Park

**Comments:**

I am speaking for myself here, as someone who is interested in all three pillars of sustainability: environmental health, economic development, and social justice for all.

**Attachments:**

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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the proposed boundaries for Saskatoon's National Urban Park. I was thrilled when the federal government selected Saskatoon as a city to be supported in making a proposal to create a national urban park. Working with Meewasin Valley Authority was also good.

However, the recent submission, while mostly seeming to fit with what is needed, does not include all the area which has already been approved by city council for the NorthEast and Small Swales. I do not understand?

Natural areas provide incredible values in the way of ecosystem services. As well, the grasslands of North America are the most endangered ecosystem on the planet. Further, 95% of the grasslands near Saskatoon have been destroyed. We have an opportunity to protect more of the Swales, by drawing them into a National Urban Park. We have an opportunity to demonstrate foresight. Our children and grandchildren will only notice our good behaviour if we point it out to them. However, they will notice our bad behaviour, because they will not have healthy lives, will struggle to get sufficient food (lacking all the different organisms that support good food production), and will be unable to breathe smoke-free air. We need to protect as much land, as much biodiversity, as many ecosystem services as we can, and we must do this now. If we can do something to ensure that the carbon wrapped up in native grasslands remains wrapped up, and to support the species that live there will survive, we must do so.

Please, I am writing with these two requests. I ask that the committee:

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Sincerely,

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