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Subject: [External] Upper Cold Creek Farm requests that Vaughan council DOES NOT support the Highway 413

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

As a third generation family that has been in the Vaughan region for 90 years, living on a cattle farm, I was encouraged to hear the Council overturning the support of the GTA West Highway in a vote of 5:4.

Vaughan has seen more change over the past decade with the population moving north of the City of Toronto and needing housing and the services needed to support the growth.

A new highway isn't going to change much for Vaughan other than encourage more people to drive and have more vehicular traffic cutting through communities to save time. The public transit in York Region is not well used as the roads just keep getting wider to accommodate more traffic. In this climate crisis we should be doing all we can as a municipality to encourage people to take climate friendly options like trains and buses. If we continue to develop road systems the cars will continue to prevail.

I remain optimistic that we can gain increased support to encourage the Province to put the funding to places that create an investment in the infrastructure necessary to ensure places like Vaughan are prepared for the future transit opportunities that will protect our environment and support connecting our communities.

Thank you for reading this letter and supporting a future without the 413 Highway.

Sincerely,

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