

Dear Mayor and Council members,

November 30, 2021

Re: Bradford Bypass

I support the plan provided by The Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, at the Council of the Whole meeting on December 6th. I ask that you vote in favour of it.

Protection of farmland and marshes and other natural spaces is critical for our communities. Look at B.C.

Our survival is dependent upon the protection of valuable farmland and natural spaces.

The Ontario government has significantly weakened the provincial environmental assessment process for the Bradford Bypass via an exemption to the Environmental Assessment Act on

October 7, 2021. As a result, the Bradford Bypass project would be allowed to proceed with construction through the Holland Marsh based on an outdated 24-year-old Environmental

Assessment (EA). The original EA approval was conditional on performing additional studies on archaeological resources, stormwater management, hydrogeological systems (including the development of a groundwater protection plan). The Province has exempted itself from these conditions.

This is a huge risk to save a few minutes of driving time.

Please vote for protection of our farmland, our green spaces and for Lake Simcoe.

Sincerely,

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