December 1, 2021

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

Re: Bradford Bypass

I am writing to express my concern over the Ontario government's choice to exempt the Bradford Bypass from an environmental assessment.

Study after study shows that "if you build it, they will come;" when new roads are built, traffic increases. And the Bradford Bypass will likely not be an exception to this. Any traffic relief that is experienced after its construction will likely be short-lived, but the potential impacts it will have on the local environment, on our water, and on our air will not be so short-lived. The information we are using is outdated and does not provide an accurate evaluation of current conditions and future impacts.

I request that Council support the resolution provided by the Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition at the December 6th Committee of the Whole meeting.

Sincerely,

Pamela Vega

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