

# *Kleinburg and Area Ratepayers' Association*

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To: Minister of Transportation, S. Lecce, Mayor, Regional Councillors, Councillors

Re: **GTA West Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study**

The Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers' Association would like to offer the following comments, referring specifically to that part of the proposed highway that will pass through the municipality of Vaughan. This follows our letter dated January 19, 2015 to the Hon. Steven Del Duca, copy attached.

KARA would like to state that further to our written comments being submitted on the GTA West Transportation Corridor and Route Planning and Environmental Study – Stage 2, Comment Sheet (copy attached) we would like to emphasize our preference for Route S8-1 in the Section 8 area as it would better serve the growth areas of Bolton, Nobleton and Schomber, would expedite traffic accessibility and would be less invasive to greenbelt and agricultural lands. We feel that there would be a negative impact to existing and future Kleinburg residents as it relates to the preferred Route (S8-3 S8-2) in Section 8.

Some of the items from our previous letter which are still outstanding and would need to be addressed are: how are the existing wildlife corridors going to be preserved; how is reduced forest cover to be replaced; how are the six species at risk to be protected etc.

We also believe that land acquisition costs presumably would be less for route S8-1 than route S9-1. It is also noted that the portion of (Section 9) Route S9-1 ( preferred route ) that is EAST of Pine Valley to Hwy400 could still be used as that would shift the highway further north than (Section 8) Route S8-1. On the west end, in the Highway 50-Huntingdon Rd.-Nashville Rd triangle, that the Interchange be routed closest to Highway 50.

Regards



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