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Dear Council,

I am writing to request that you take the lead in protecting the Oak Ridges Moraine and reject the member's motion requesting to transition lands on the Oak Ridges Moraine and to request a Minister's Zoning Order for General Industrial uses over the lands citing section 15 of the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Act.

Many scientists agree that wetlands provide "nature-based solutions that can provide a multitude of services of great social, economic and environmental value to humankind. The services may include recreation, greenhouse gas sequestration, contaminant retention...groundwater level and soil moisture regulation." As Climate Change remodels the world we live in, water will continue to be the most important natural resource on Earth. Richmond Hill Council has the opportunity to protect rivers and wetlands for now and the future.

Please do not approve this motion. Instead, reconsider keeping lands at the 404 and Major Mackenzie zoned as employment lands. That will make up for the planned industrial zoning on the precious Oak Ridges Moraine.

Be bold, be visionaries, plan for the future.

Sincerely,

Carol Davidson
Resident