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RE: Review of Farming and Agriculture in Richmond Hill

Dear Mr. Huycke:

I support Councilor Muench's motion to evaluate the farming and Agriculture area in Richmond Hill along the Gormley and Leslie corridor. This is because the farming community has changed a lot in our area the last 20 years, making agriculture much more challenging to be successful even though the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan and the Greenbelt legislation was enacted in 2001 and designed to support the farming industry.

The poor soil conditions, high water table, widening and urbanization of Leslie Street, the expansion the Metrolinx Go Line, the increased traffic and the challenge due to the decline in the farming supply chain, make farming impossible and the land designations should be addressed.

I would encourage a technical evaluation and not a political designation for the lands in our area. We are fully supportive of the green concept and the respect that we all know that farmers feed families, but please review and designate lands responsibly.

Best regards



Sean Hu