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Subject: Support Salt Pollution Motion

Good morning!

On July 2nd, the Richmond Hill Council agenda contains a salt pollution motion stemming from the advocacy of a local campaign supported by numerous local community and environmental organizations.

Thank you Councillor Davidson. <https://www.caroldavidsonoakridges.ca/post/motion-councillor-davidson-support-for-provincial-action-on-salt-pollution-from-road-salt>

As a Vaughan, York Region resident I support the salt pollution motion and I hope Richmond Hill Council will too. re. Item 12.5 Member Motion - Councillor Davidson - Support for Provincial Action on Salt Pollution from Road Salt.

It would be amazing to see this motion be adopted by York Region Council and all of York Region's nine municipalities. Kudos to Georgina for already doing this!

<https://www.newmarkettoday.ca/local-news/georgina-supports-action-to-reduce-lake-simcoe-salt-pollution-10467468>

Municipalities must make clear that they want the province to take action on this creeping pollutant, chloride, road salt. It's nearly impossible to get out of freshwater once there. It damages ecosystems, food chains, fish, and public infrastructure.

A campaign summary is [here](#) if you want any more info. The campaign website with an action tool to the province is here <https://saltcoalition.ca/>

MPP's have been included as this is an action that requires the province to act with haste but continues to be ignored in the face of mounting evidence.

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0380133022000314>

Regards,
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