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I write to you today to share my conviction that the process followed (explicitly or implicitly) by the township, region and province in developing the proposal for expropriation of 770 acres of prime farmland in Wilmot Township for industrial development is seriously flawed and needs to be revisited.

My conviction is based on several fundamental beliefs / expectations:

- The need for preservation of green space and more specifically productive farm land is a responsibility we all share. Retaining local agricultural capacity ought to be a priority for all.
- Environmental impact ... both on natural systems and community life. The proposed direction fosters impacts that are not supportive of the natural environment nor sought or favoured by the local constituents and many other residents of the region and province.
- An expectation of transparent governance ... at all levels of government. The process under discussion is an abject failure in this regard and echoes other similar and egregious failures in process in Southern Ontario in recent times.

It is my sincere wish that you undertake a review of the whole process of industrial expansion in the region in consultation with residents relative to the desires of the community for such expansion in general as well as the nature and suitable location of any such expansion as may ultimately be sanctioned by the residents / voters that you represent.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this submission.

(I have copied the clerks in the respective bodies of government to request that this document be reflected in the official record.)

Regards,

John Trainor