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Dear Regional Chair Karen Redman and Regional Councillors:

I am sure that you are aware that 80% of the water for the Region of Waterloo comes from the aquifers in Wilmot Township.

Why would you want to pave over the best farmland in Wilmot and possibly destroy the aquifers for some unknown industrial mega-site? Why would you destroy the lives of farmers who work hard to produce food for us?

This is not a good location for anything except farming.

There are too many issues:

- roads that are too narrow
- poor access
- no rail spur
- too far from the airport
- groundwater impact study needed
- no water and sewers
- stormwater management required
- no drainage plan
- need for electrical upgrading
- environmental assessment needed
- tree survey needed
- species at risk
- archaeological study
- noise impact study
- etc.

As I understand it, you have purchased 3 properties and the farmland where the corn crop was ploughed under.

If the owners of this land have already received their money, that's fine. If they have not been paid, then their properties should be returned to them in good condition.

If the owners have been paid, you should sell these properties for not one penny more than you purchased them, and for the same use that they were. Maybe you will even have to take a loss. So be it!

Let the farmers who want to continue farming continue to farm. They have been harassed and stressed by this absurd plan for far too long. 41,216 people have signed the petition declaring that

Wilmot is an unwilling host.

We need to have more food produced in Canada now that there are tariffs from the USA. Destroying more farmland in an age of tariffs and food insecurity is wrong.

Abandon this costly and uncertain mega-industrial project before financial troubles deepen further, and **save all our farmland. Fight to reinstate the countryside line. Stop the Land Assembly in Wilmot.**

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