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**From:** [Wilkinson, Jonathan - M.P.](#)

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**From:** Sujaya Dhanvantari <personal information removed>

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**To:** Wilkinson, Jonathan - M.P. <Jonathan.Wilkinson@parl.gc.ca>

**Subject:** Highway 413

Dear Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment,

I appreciate the billions of dollars the federal government has committed to public transit, including through the recently announced permanent transit fund. This is good transportation policy!

The opposite of good policy is Ontario's proposal to build Highway 413. This superhighway through southern Ontario's Greenbelt will destroy forests and wetlands and imperil precious agricultural areas. It threatens to extirpate the redbreasted dace, a fish listed as endangered under the federal Species at Risk Act. And because it incentivizes car travel, the highway will jeopardize Canada's ability to meet its climate targets.

I urge you to do everything in your power to stop this destructive project. As a first step, I ask you to approve an environmental assessment of Highway 413 so the public can learn the full extent of its harmfulness.

I look forward to your reply.

Thank you.

Yours,  
Sujaya Dhanvantari