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To Grey County Warden Barfoot:

Please see a summary below of info from the meeting held on Sat. regarding the closure of former County Road 91.

Since the meeting, other questions have come forward such as:

Why does Walker disregard the safety of its drivers and insist on using 91 as a haul route when their license clearly states that 31 is also a permissible haul route?

If Walker isn't going to quarry the road, as they claim, they why is Walker going to another hearing, again opposing an NEC decision especially when they have an alternative haul route in their license?

Why does Clearview insist on opposing the NEC to the detriment of the safety of residents of Grey Highlands, to the detriment of the environment and at great cost to the tax payer?

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Lorrie Gillis

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IMPORTANT: Please see 'What can you do?' below information summary.

Information Summary:

The meeting on Saturday at Singhampton was well attended and the list of names on this email list continues to grow. Thank you Doug Dingeldein, Wendy Franks, George Powel and Paul McQueen for speaking to this issue.

There was review of how we got to this point with the proposal for County Road 91 to be sold to Walker Quarry while putting Rd. 26/27 up as a substitute, causing further damage to the Niagara escarpment without proper assessment or public consultation during an OMB hearing in 2010-12. There is question as to the legality of selling off public property to a corporation, nothing in writing regarding the return of the road at the end of the quarry's existence and no promise the road itself will not be mined.

Current traffic studies show increased traffic, with County Road 124 between Maple Valley and Singhampton being the third busiest road in Grey County. Emergency road closure (snow, accident, fire, etc.) of 124 leaves no reasonable alternative for traffic to use as a bypass. Emergency services would be compromised for over 300 families in Grey Highlands should 91 be closed. Intersections available as

alternative routes would become dangerous to navigate.

Upgrades to Road 26/27 will be difficult from an engineering point of view and would be destructive to the immediate area's diverse fauna, flora and the stability of the escarpment face. Increased runoff will negatively impact very important fish breeding streams in the immediate area and beyond.

Road 91 is essential for travel to work, emergency response, tourism and business. The Niagara Escarpment Commission has denied approval to upgrade 26/27 by a vote of 12 - 1. Clearview, Walker Industries and a few individuals have appealed this decision to the Environmental Review Tribunal.

Most residents of Grey Highlands and Clearview in the area want Road 91, a well established major east/west corridor, to remain open.

Closing Road 91 is not necessary for the operation of the new quarry although Walker Industries is not permitted to ship any aggregate from its new quarry until the Road 91 situation is resolved.

Clearview, Walker Industries, the community and other stakeholders need to come together to find a solution that is in the interests of the whole community. You can help encourage a resolution.

What can you do?

1. This is a big one. Attend and/or speak at the Pre-hearing conference to be held Friday, March 11, 10:00am at Township of Clearview Administrative Building, 217 Gideon St., Stayner.

"If you intend on participating as a Presenter, Participant or Party during the in-person Pre-hearing Conference and throughout the Hearing process, please contact the Niagara Escarpment Hearing Office by telephone at 416-314-4712 or by email at ERTTribunalSecretary@ontario.ca "

Please consider speaking at this session with whatever particular concerns you hold. One does not need to be a professional or an expert to speak at this. You are able to back out at any time before or after this session if you wish. It would be exceptional to see every one of you; your spouse, neighbours, children, aunts, uncles and grandparents trying to fit into the Clearview Admin Building on March 11th.

2. Write to Clearview Township, Simcoe County, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Grey County and Niagara Escarpment with your concerns. Please make sure you tell them to include your letter on the agenda as correspondence and that you expect a timely reply to your concerns. Stating that you expect a timely reply could be important in giving your written concern legal standing, should that become necessary.

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Clerk for Clearview Township: bfalls@clearview.ca

Clerk for Grey Highlands: robertsond@greyhighlands.ca

Clerk for Grey County: Sharon Vokes: sharon.vokes@grey.ca

Niagara Escarpment Commission: judy.rhodes-munk@ontario.ca

3. Do you have a knack for writing letters? Send a Letter to the Editor stating concerns. It raises awareness of the situation, puts elected officials forward for accountability and keeps the heat up on this issue. Put your name, address and phone # on the top of your letter.

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