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**RE: Study Area for the Highway 413 Transportation Corridor Route Planning,
Preliminary Design and Environmental Assessment Project, Stage 2**

Dear Marlon Kallideen,

In August 2020, the province declared a focused analysis area for Highway 413 to identify lands being assessed for use as the potential highway corridor. This letter clarifies the Ministry of Transportation's position on development applications within the Highway 413 Transportation Corridor-Focused Analysis Area (FAA).

As the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) continues to protect the FAA, it's important to emphasize that the designation of this area does not prevent municipalities from accepting applications for development within their boundaries. Municipalities within the focused analysis area are encouraged to accept and review development applications as usual.

I would also like to emphasize that for land use planning, municipalities need to be mindful of their obligations under provincial planning policies to protect planned infrastructure corridors for current and future needs, as well as prohibit development in planned corridors that could preclude or negatively affect the use of the corridor for the purposes for which it was identified.

Any municipal decision that affects a planning matter shall be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conform to all provincial plans, including the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The government is also consulting on an updated proposed Provincial Planning Statement that may impact future planning issues once in effect.

We encourage municipalities to accept and review development applications within the FAA for future growth while ensuring compatibility with the proposed highway corridor to support development and advance critical transportation infrastructure projects.

MTO appreciates being included in the circulation of development applications within the FAA and, accordingly, requests that they continue to be circulated to MTO for review and comment while the Highway 413 Stage 2 Environmental Assessment is ongoing. We will continue to work with municipalities to review applications inside the FAA in a timely manner to assess impacts to the proposed corridor.

As the preliminary design work progresses, MTO will review the FAA limits to refine the route and release lands that are not required for the completion of Highway 413. This review process will involve public consultations and discussions with other key stakeholders.

I want to reassure you that the Ministry of Transportation remains committed to engaging with municipalities, stakeholders and the public throughout the planning and implementation phases of Highway 413.

We value your input and collaboration as we work together to deliver this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Jones". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doug Jones
Deputy Minister of Transportation