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Subject: Raw Sewage Spill into Cootes Paradise to Protect Ancaster Homeowners

Mister Mayor and City Councillors,

Please do not vote to ratify building a pipe to allow human sewage to spill into a tributary of Cootes Paradise Marsh.

Millions of dollars have already been pledged to clean up the previous sewage spill which was catastrophic to the ecosystem and all plant and animal life. How can you even consider further damaging this precious system which will serve to protect humans in the event of future storms fueled by climate change.

Councillor Ferguson has finally admitted that climate change exists and that storms of unknown strength will pummel this City and his only solution is to poison our 'Paradise' because of a few smelly basements in Ancaster, his ward where he has promoted aggressive and irresponsible development.

As Canadians, we are smart and intelligent. Surely there is a better way to prevent overflows and protect the homeowners. Every avenue must be exhausted. Our entrepreneurship and leadership will be tested over the next generation, as never before. At the first sign of difficulty, you cannot choose to destroy Nature which is the only tool we have to save the population.

Read the papers! Look around you! We have reached the 'point of no return' with green house gas emissions and fossil fuel usage and at the first sign of a little damage in Hamilton, how can you even consider despoiling more of Cootes? Please, please, draw on the technology experts, the hydrologists, and biologists, etc. within the Ministries to find a smart solution.

Thank you for considering other solutions as future generations depend on the decisions you make today.

Sincerely,
Marie Covert
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