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I am writing to object to attempts to expand the urban boundary. Hamiltonians know that the key to vibrant communities is density. Density within our existing bounds allows us to pay less for more effective infrastructure. This plan and plans like it to sprawl out leave us taxpayers with the bill of servicing low density cash grabs by speculators. This has only become more true under a provincial leadership that has decided that development does not pay for itself. If we foot the bill for development, we need development that, once implemented, puts tax dollars in our coffers, not development that provides maximum profit for the speculator in the least amount of time. We don't need development that curtails our agricultural and employment assets. We don't need development that adds congestion to the highways without the ability to fund a real, cost effective, accessible, functional alternative. Density provides all of these things and there is a cornucopia of space within our existing urban bounds to provide the housing we need.

Regards, Paul Flude