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Subject: Re: vote by Councillors regarding Hamilton's urban boundary expansion on June 25th 2025

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I am a resident in Ward 12, Ancaster, and a volunteer with Dundas Turtle Watch in Ward 13. I am concerned to hear that there are requests to potentially expand Hamilton's urban boundary and allow subdivisions to be built on over 3800 acres of prime farmland, wetlands and forests in Hamilton. Farmland and wetlands are important and must not be displaced! Supporting local farmers is of great benefit to our health and economy. Wetlands are vital ecosystems that act as natural filters to keep water clean, they control flooding by absorbing excess water, they help fight against climate change by storing carbon (concrete roads and sidewalks certainly don't do any of this). Wetlands also offer important habitat for plants and animals, many of which are already threatened and/or endangered. Taking away these areas, or trying to "create new wetlands" in other areas is not appropriate, not safe nor ethical.

Please keep these lands safe and free and our community healthy for our children, grandchildren and beyond.

I respectfully ask that you vote "no" to urban boundary expansion on June 25th. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Jennifer Henderson