

December 15, 2022

Town of the Blue Mountains Council
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Sent via email to: Corinna Giles, Clerk <townclerk@thebluemountains.ca>

Re: Regional concerns regarding County Road 91 in Clearview Township

Dear Mayor Matrosovs and Council,

We trust this letter finds you well and offer our sincere congratulations on your recent election. We wish you the best of luck and thank you for your work in the community.

We are writing today to offer a brief overview of concerns regarding the Township of Clearview's plans for County Road 91 and kindly request an opportunity to discuss these matters with you at your earliest convenience.

As you may be aware, County Road 91 in Clearview Township is a critical corridor for residents as well as visitors to the South Georgian Bay region. Yet, due to a more than decade old agreement, however, Clearview is continuing to work towards closing a portion of the major roadway, casting aside years of transportation planning efforts in the region. This decision would reverse the efforts of the previous Town of The Blue Mountains Council, who have endeavoured to develop an interconnected multimodal regional transportation network to support increased travel to the area and meet the needs of our growing region.

Undue changes to the regional transportation network and, particularly, decisions which adversely impact traffic patterns, threaten your municipality's tourism-based economy. As noted by former-Mayor Soever, unsafe and poorly planned roadways would likely deter visitors, creating an unnecessary burden for the many businesses in The Blue Mountains who rely on tourism.

We hope to have the opportunity to discuss these concerns with you in greater detail and look forward to scheduling a meeting with you at your earliest convenience. Given its importance to your community, we strongly urge you to join your neighbouring municipalities in continuing to request that County Road 91 remain operational.

Sincerely,

Wendy Franks and David Stevenson
