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Good evening

I am emailing as I wish to comment on the redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme. If possible I would appreciate confirmation of receipt and acceptance of my comments please.

I have been strongly opposed to the proposal all along, and my position has not changed.

National Highways has done nothing to change the scheme, which means that UNESCO's World Heritage Committee appear likely to be having to place Stonehenge, Avebury and Associated Sites on the List of World Heritage in Danger. It is disgraceful that this committee's decision has not been taken into account.

There is no sign that they have taken any notice of the Secretary of State's finding that the scheme's impact on the proposed cutting area to the west would be significantly adverse. How can they not care about such things, especially when this is a World Heritage Site we are talking about.

Nothing appears to have been done in regard to carrying out an adequate assessment on possible alternative routes that could be less destructive and harmful to the World Heritage Site. Why have National Highways not given proper consideration of other options, like a longer tunnel, so as to reduce the impact?

I am left wondering and concerned as to why National Highways have not considered other options as opposed to yet another road project. Now more than ever we need to be reducing carbon emissions, and traffic, not just attempting to bypass existing roads with yet more roads that just creates induced demand, and is not the right direction to be moving in at this time, or any time in the future.

I am not aware of National Highways updating the costs for the proposed scheme, both financial costs for construction and also the cost to the environment. Where is the updated carbon assessment?

We need to be rewilding, planting, and doing all we can to save, protect, and ensure the recovery of nature and our environment. Not proposing and trying to push through destructive and harmful road projects.

We really are at a time where change is needed, we cannot simply keep on doing things as we always have done. This is not NIMBYism or conspiracy theory, more and more evidence is becoming available from many different sources that action has to be taken. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report states that there is a need to take urgent

action to reduce emissions. This is not possible by building more roads, so this needs addressing as a matter of urgency.

Thank you for your time and attention, I hope my comments are considered and helpful in the redetermination. I hope that the right decision will be made and that the A303 Stonehenge scheme will be refused.

Kind regards

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