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To Whom It May Concern:

I have read the response from the Secretary for State for Transport in regards to the A303 plan and I am shocked that there is continued support for this project. As far as I am concerned the National Highways has not:

- Made any changes to the Scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee Decision into account;
- Acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse"
- Fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site e.g., a southern bypass route would be cheaper even if there might be some problems with it, while a longer tunnel would reduce impact on the World Heritage Site
- Explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site - e.g. a package of measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West
- Updated the scheme construction costs; nor updated the carbon assessment and costs.

Since the original examination closed you MUST consider:

- Concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report and the need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not increase them as any new Stonehenge road scheme would; and the Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

At the heart of this objection is, we MUST protect Stonehenge as part of our history, for future generations and as a World Heritage Site. We should NOT be embarking on any infrastructure projects that expose Stonehenge to any type of risk.

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