From: To:	A303 Stonehenge
Subject:	Application by National Highways ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the construction of a new two-lane dual carriage way for the A303 between Amesbury and Berwick Down in Wiltshire.
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Hello,

This email is a response to the Dept of Transport letter 24/2/22 requesting comments on the latest development proposition. I would like you to consider the following points.

I do not think that they

- Make any change that sufficiently takes into account the 2021 world heritage committee decision and the possible loss of heritage status
- Sufficiently take into account the Secretary of State finding that the proposed western cutting impact would be significantly adverse
- Have fully assessed alternative routes that would have a less adverse impact
- Have re-evaluated the construction costs and the carbon impact assessment.

I am also concerned that the proposition does not properly take into account the recent increases in concern about climate change and is not in keeping with the need to reduce emissions and the reliance on fossil fuels.

In particular I think it is very important that nature recovery in terms of environmental health and proactive efforts to improve habitat and diversity of flora and fauna should be central to any developments (refer to Environment Act 2021). I do not think this is sufficiently prominent in current proposals.

I hope you find this helpful, Richard Simpson.

