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To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: A303 Stonehenge tunnel & works proposal
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Dear secretary of state for transport, planning inspectorate and department of transport;
I welcome that the secretary of state for transport has asked the department for transport to look again at the A303 Stonehenge road improvement scheme.

I note that the Department of Transport's response is inadequate in many respects.

1. The DoT has not updated the costs of the scheme. These are likely to have increased recently.

2. The DoT has not looked in detail at the alternative routes, including a southern diversion and a longer tunnel, both of which would safeguard one of the most important stone age landscapes in the county.

The FoT had not taken into account the 2021 works heritage status of the landscape.

3. The department of transport has not considered traffic reduction schemes, including building high speed rail to Cornwall, reducing the cost of train tickets, measures to support and encourage people to join car clubs instead of owning their own car.

The news about climate change and ecological collapse is getting worse all the time. The forest fires and floods have waken many up to the dangers of using fossil fuels and buying and driving cars. It is well known, that increasing the speed and capacity of roads induces more car demand. We should be reducing the number of miles driven.

Please do not go ahead with the scheme with a short tunnel which would damage one of the finest stone age landscapes in Europe, which is still being explored and more is being found all the time.

Please take our commitment to meet zero by 2050 by not subsidising car transport any more.

Thank you,
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