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To:
A303 Stonehenge

**Subject:** Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme

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## Dear Sir

I am sending these comments as I believe that the re-determination of the proposed A303 Stonehenge scheme needs close examination.

National Highways has not made any changes to the Scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision into account.

National Highways has not acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse".

National Highways has not 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:

National Highways has not updated the scheme construction costs; nor updated the carbon assessment and costs.

Other changes since the Examination closed:

There is much increased and visible concern for climate change 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.

The Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery, not further destruction by damaging road building schemes.

Yours sincerely

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