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To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
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Dear Sir/Madam

I write to add my voice to those opposing the proposed scheme to relieve traffic congestion on the A303 as it passes Stonehenge.

My opposition is based on the following points.

1. Stonehenge is a unique monument that should be allowed to remain in its landscape context. It has stood there for around 10,000 years and its surroundings must be protected for all time. It is reprehensible that a planning body is contemplating a relatively quick but monstrous and expensive fix for such a comparatively minor problem as traffic congestion.
2. This is another and arguably the most important example of lip service paid to climate change but actions taken that ignore climatic impact. We should be promoting measures to take cars off the roads not promoting schemes that encourage more traffic.
3. At the price of massive unforgiveable disturbance to a world heritage site the scheme will speed transport up for a few years until the volume of traffic slows it down again and further measures are needed. Look how relatively quickly our motorway system became inadequate for the increased volume of traffic. Have we learned nothing?
4. At a time when there are far more important issues needing extra funding than congestion on the A303 it is incomprehensible that the government would be prepared to spend millions on this project
5. The A303 should be left as it is and people encouraged to seek alternative means of travel. I regularly travel to the West Country and use the train.

Yours Faithfully
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