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Dear Sirs,

I am very concerned at the road-widening proposals which threaten what is an important monument of world-wide significance.

Foremost, the government should not encouraging increased traffic - concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report and we need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not increase them as any new Stonehenge road scheme would inevitably do. You do not appear to have updated the carbon assessment and costs.

You have not fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site e.g., a southern bypass route would be cheaper, while a longer tunnel would reduce impact on the World Heritage Site.

We feel you have not adequately 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; nor have you updated the scheme construction costs.

In my opinion the omission on current cost estimates, UNESCO's position and new information since the Examination closed in October 2019 are compelling grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel BEFORE the Secretary of State redetermines an application for a DCO for the very same road scheme.

You need to take a long-term view; Stonehenge has been here for thousands of years and it needs to be safeguarded, not threatened by short-term projects.

Yours sincerely,

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