

December 11, 2020

Attn: Regional Councillors

As residents, landowners, and taxpayers in Clarington, we are writing to express our support of the Official Mapping being **limited to provincially required EP land only**.

Those of us who live a more rural lifestyle have done so (often at financial detriment in the beginning and most certainly a physical one) in the hopes of leaving something of value for our children, or for our own retirement. We do not support the increase in EP land (not required by government), as we adamantly feel that this will adversely affect our property values (which has been supported by numerous real estate professionals in the area).

As a resident directly affected by these changes, clear, concise and comprehensive notification to all property owners should have and needs to be provided. This notification is essential to ensure that all affected landowners have had the opportunity to voice their concern, ask questions, and reach out to those they have elected to ensure they are hearing their concerns. It also provides transparency for the municipality regarding this issue.

We are all now aware of the results of the East Gwillimbury situation, and we hope that our council will be moving in that direction. It allows for only the required government EP lands and upholds landowner's property rights, while proving that the elected council is listening to its rural constituents.

We hope that you take our concerns seriously and move to allow for government required EP lands only.

Regards,

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