

Mountainview continues to cause concern

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Area resident Rob Heaton asked if they were able to cancel the potential highway coming from Hwy. 10 through Halton Hills.

"Burlington has helped to get it (Niagara-GTA Corridor) taken out of the Regional Official Plan, maybe that's something we can do to help local council by advocating that as a group here," said Heaton.

"I would love to be able to help Jane Fogal get some of those bike paths, but I think the Region should be paying for it. Those are arterial roads, those are people coming here from outside of town jamming up all the sideroads on the weekends," said Heaton.

Leslie Adams of POWER asked if the study would be considering routes for agricultural traffic.

"What do you embrace as a community— agriculture is part of it— (so) you want to maintain it, that's got to be considered," said John McGill, Project Manager of Hatch Mott MacDonald, the consultants doing the study for the town.

A Mountainview resident who didn't want her name published said there were approximately 50 driveways on Mountainview Rd. between Sinclair Ave. and Hungry Hollow bridge.

"Since that bridge was built, we have trucks, and I forget how many thousands I was told, go up and down day and night, 365 days a year," said the woman. "I find it offensive to look on your map and find our road is labeled as a truck route. We're

a residential area, you talk about the safety, and you talk about the environment, yet you seem to be completely ignoring this whole section—a residential area."

She was concerned about the safety of residents getting in and out of their driveways on Mountainview.

MacDonald said the TMP looks at the future and has to find a way to start addressing the trucking issue on that road.

"If there was a higher order facility (road), I'm sure those trucks would love to go there," he said.

Another Mountainview resident, who also didn't want his name published, raised the issue of truck traffic on that road, especially trucks carrying petroleum and gas.

"If any of those is ever involved in an accident, and the possibility of an explosion of any sort, what happens in that residential area— disaster."

He said if there's going to be truck traffic on Mountainview for the "time being" he said trucks transporting dangerous goods should be prohibited from using the road.

"Also, an alternate route into this town for trucks, traffic should be looked at very soon and not put off for another two, three, four or five years, but immediately, such as joining the Tenth Line and using that as an alternate route."

A Focus Group Workshop on the Transportation Master Plan will be held in the early spring, and next Public Information Centre will also be held in the spring. Comments can also be made at www.haltonhills.ca/tmp or the project's Facebook page.

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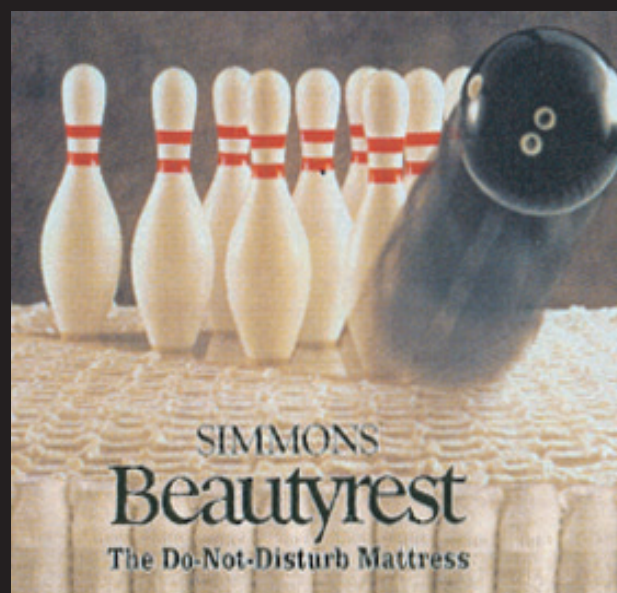


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