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Residents vow to fight noise from highway

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Crawford.

Noise interferes with "comfort, use and enjoyment of property, not to mention the resale value," Dymond stressed. Noise reduction technology exists elsewhere along the 400 series highways. The residents want the province to look at installing a combination of berms, barricades and trees along the 404 from Vandorf Sideroad to just south of the Aurora Sideroad.

"There are ways to muffle the sound," said Dymond.

Residents of Gormley are also concerned about increased traffic noise, added Dymond.

If the province won't lower the noise level then property taxes should be lowered, the association is claiming. Led by Dymond, on Tuesday, 32 area residents filed individual appeals to the province's Assessment Review Board, requesting that their 1997

taxes be re-evaluated. Noise should be a factor when determining taxes, Dymond is suggesting. "The process appears to make no concession for noise. However, in a number of cases, taxpayers have successfully argued before the Assessment Review Board that noise is a valid basis for reducing assessed value," he said.

While Dymond's law office is doing the legal work for the appeal, the association will not be billed. "I'm doing it on a pro bono basis. It's my community too," said Dymond.

A solution will be found, said Ward 1 councillor Ivanka Bradley. "This noise can be cushioned. I'm sure the province will listen. The residents are going through the proper channels," said Bradley.

In some countries, noise is a serious matter. In Finland, noise protection is based on law. "Before a new road is built, research work has to be done to prove that the traffic on the possible new road will not produce too much noise for the nearby residential areas.

The group will meet on Jan. 16 at 8 p.m. at the Lewers Village Grocers.

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