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Liberal MPPs Greg Sorbara (left) and Mike Colle prepare to walk south on the Oak Ridges Moraine in Aurora on Wednesday. Colle opposes the moraine advisory panel's recommendations on land-use as a "sell out" inadequate to stop suburban sprawl.

## MPP Colle says moraine developers 'still don't get it'

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Then, his section of Bayview was just a dirt road and deer came up to his house.

"We used to have a fox come right up on the lawn; you don't see that anymore."

Colle started the week Sunday in King, then backtracked to walk westward from Port Perry. He re-entered the region through Ballantrae and wound up walking Thursday from Nobleton into Caledon.

He started Wednesday in Aurora with two dozen escorts, including new Vaughan-King-Aurora MPP Greg Sorbara.

Al Temen, a Richmond Hill resident, was one of the few that continued with Colle the whole morning. "I love animals and I feel very sad that we're losing all this great land to more and

more houses," she said.

The group took the multi-purpose path through Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area in Aurora but was forced to walk along roads when it reached Vandorf Road.

Bill Roberts of Newmarket, a member of the Oak Ridges Trail Association, said the trail could one day reach south to Lake Wilcox through private properties, if landowners let it happen.

Colle opposes the advisory panel's recent draft recommendations as a "sell out" inadequate to stop suburban sprawl.

He was angry that one panelist, developer Fred DeGasperis referred to dissatisfied environmentalists as "nuts" who "want everything."

"They still don't get it — this is not just about environmentalists, this is about community planning," Colle said.

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