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Via E-Mail – [coleman@scugog.ca](mailto:coleman@scugog.ca)

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**RE: Class E/A Study - Second Access Scugog Island**

Dear Carol,

As an advocacy group in support of safe cycling, Durham Region Cycling Coalition (DRCC) is a not-for-profit volunteer organization representing the five cycle clubs as well as local cycling enthusiasts within Durham Region. Having recently learned of the above noted planned Environmental Assessment, DRCC is pleased to provide the following feedback.

Upon review of Public Notice #1, we reference the recently approved Scugog Transportation and Active Transportation Master Plan which identifies Second Island Access under *Table 4.3 – Proposed Cycling Routes – Rural Area*.

Recommendations included:

- Paved shoulders at time of road construction.
- Signed on-road bike route on existing road sections

This said, DRCC wholly supports the approved AT Plan which identified the need for safe cycling access to the Island. Please note, the maps in the proposed north and south link alternatives presently show a gravel shoulder in the map legends. DRCC recommends that these be revised, and that the design for tender include paved shoulders instead of gravel shoulders to reflect the provisions of the Scugog Transportation Master Plan and OTM Book 18 established guidelines.



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Further to this, since the completion of the original Class Environmental Assessment in 2007, we note the Township of Scugog has been included in the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario Province-Wide Cycling Network. The new bike route and dedicated bike lanes on Highway 7A - completed in 2021 - have created a critical east-west cycling link. Building upon this, this cycle route addition to the proposal will close a gap and provide a new safe cycling connection to Scugog Island and to the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation territory.

In closing, on behalf of every-one at DRCC, thank you for taking time to review our feedback which we believe merits inclusion.

We commend the ongoing improvements to safe cycling and active transportation with in the Township of Scugog and look forward to future improvements.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Lalonde", written in a cursive style.

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