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Via Email

Nando Iannicca
Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer
Regional Municipality of Peel

Dear Chair Iannicca:

I understand that in April 2020, the Council for the Regional Municipality of Peel passed a resolution to request that the lands within the Town of Caledon, subject to Regional Official Plan Amendment 30 ("ROPA 30"), be removed as designated Provincially Significant Employment Zone (PSEZ) lands. These lands form a portion of Zone 15, referred to as the Pearson Airport Hub (Highway 50 Corridor).

As you know, the 31 PSEZs are strategically located across the Greater Golden Horseshoe to protect employment areas critical to the local and provincial economy. They provide opportunities to improve coordination between land use planning, economic development, and infrastructure, to attract business investments and create more jobs over the longer term.

The Town of Caledon has supported the creation of PSEZs through several Council communications. On April 21, 2020, the Town of Caledon declared their continued support of PSEZs by way of Council resolution. It is the Town of Caledon's desire that the PSEZ lands within the Town remain identified as such. The Town of Caledon's position in favour of the PSEZ lands was reconfirmed once again on March 30, 2021.

The Ministry completed a substantive review of requests to change PSEZ mapping on December 20, 2019. I am not aware of a request prior to that date to remove the adopted ROPA 30 lands, located within the Pearson Airport Hub in the Town of Caledon, from the PSEZ 15 mapping. While my Ministry continues to accept and review requests, I am not considering the identification of any new PSEZs, removals, or changes to current PSEZ boundaries at this time.

I am pleased to hear that Peel Regional Council did not move forward with a motion to request an MZO for residential development within PSEZ 15. I hope that Peel Region will continue to respect the local planning process in the Town of Caledon.

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If you would like more information on A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe or the PSEZ policy, please contact GrowthPlanning@ontario.ca. Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Clark". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steve Clark
Minister

The Honourable Steve Clark
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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April 27, 2020

Dear Minister Clark,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Region of Peel with a request to implement a specific change to the Provincially Significant Employment Zone (PSEZ) mapping that has been identified within the Region of Peel by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing under the policies in the Provincial Growth Plan, 2019.

As you are aware, the Region of Peel adopted ROPA 30 in December 2016, to provide for settlement expansion west of the Bolton settlement area in the Town of Caledon to accommodate a predominantly residential community of about 10,300 people and 2,500 jobs. Peel Council's decision on ROPA 30 was appealed to the LPAT by a number of parties and is currently the subject of a multi-phase LPAT hearing scheduled to begin in August 2020.

On December 20, 2019, updated PSEZ mapping was introduced by the Ministry which expanded PSEZ 15 (Pearson Airport Hub – Highway 50 Corridor) over previous mapping to include lands west of Bolton including the ROPA 30 lands. It is not clear what may have originated this change in mapping which appears to conflict with some of the criteria published by the Ministry including that PSEZ lands are to be located inside a settlement area, are not to be under appeal at the LPAT, and that mapping changes are to be undertaken in consultation with municipalities based on existing land use designations.

We have requested clarification on these matters from the Ministry with none forthcoming. On April 9, 2020, by a vote of 17 to 7 in favour, Peel Regional Council passed the attached resolution which requests that the lands subject to ROPA 30, as adopted by Regional Council, be removed from the PSEZ 15 mapping.

I respectfully request that you consider and implement this request to remove the ROPA 30 lands from the PSEZ 15 mapping. I would be pleased to make myself and relevant Peel representatives available for further discussion on this matter.

Kindest personal regards,



Nando Iannicca
Regional Chair & Chief Executive Officer
Regional Municipality of Peel