

City of
PICKERING

Notice of Motion

Rouge National Urban Park – Additional Lands

Date: June 12, 2017

Moved by: Councillor Pickles 

Seconded by: Councillor Butt 

WHEREAS: 5,200 acres of land in the City of Pickering are being transferred to the new Rouge National Urban Park;

WHEREAS: it is desirable to provide appropriate gateways and natural linkages between the Rouge National Urban Park and the surrounding land and adjacent communities in the City of Pickering;

WHEREAS: there are two areas that particularly could have better connections by adding additional Federal lands to the Rouge National Urban Park: one is an area to link the Rouge National Urban Park with Seaton (area A – approximately 551 acres on the attached map) and the other area is a link adjacent to the southwest Hamlet of Claremont (generally shown as area B – approximately 358 acres on the attached map). These maps were received by the Green Durham Association;

WHEREAS: Although these two areas (A & B) are within the designated airport site, they are also included in the Green Belt and neither is likely, due to their natural features, to be used for airport uses;

NOW THEREFORE the City of Pickering requests that the Federal Government consider adding the lands generally shown as A and B on the attached map, in order to enhance linkages between the Rouge National Urban Park and the developing community of Seaton and the Hamlet of Claremont, both in the City of Pickering;

NOW THEREFORE in considering these land additions, the Federal Government consult with tenants, adjacent landowners, stakeholders, Provincial Government and City of Pickering;

NOW THEREFORE that the Federal Government confirm that the addition of these lands to the Rouge National Urban Park would be neutral, neither support nor discourage, the consideration of the development of an airport in Pickering;

NOW THEREFORE this motion be copied to Jennifer O'Connell, MP, Pickering-Uxbridge, The Honourable Tracy MacCharles, MPP, Pickering-Scarborough East, Joe Dickson, MPP Ajax-Pickering and the Region of Durham.

Carried _____