



May 10, 2021

Patricia Merrilees

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Dear Patricia Merrilees,

On behalf of the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada, thank you for your letter dated April 24, 2021, in which you requested a regional assessment for the Don Valley in the adjoining federal ridings of Toronto Danforth, Toronto Centre, University-Rosedale, Spadina-Fort York, Don Valley West and Don Valley East.

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) is currently reviewing your request and other similar requests for this area, and will provide advice to the Minister to inform his decision on whether or not to conduct such a regional assessment. We anticipate that the Minister's decision on these regional assessment requests, with reasons, will be provided by July 19, 2021, at which time it will also be posted to the publicly-available Canadian Impact Assessment Registry, available at <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/index?culture=en-CA>.

The Agency will ensure that the information provided by you is reflected in the advice to the Minister. Agency staff may also be in touch with you to request additional information related to your request, as required. Since the area identified for the purposes of the potential regional assessment is not entirely on federal lands, other jurisdictions with responsibilities in the region will be engaged to determine their interest in collaborating on such a regional assessment.

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Further questions regarding your request and its analysis can be directed to Carys Burgess, Senior Analyst – Strategic and Regional Assessments, by email at Carys.Burgess@canada.ca or by telephone at (902) 237-0913.

Sincerely,

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