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Subject: Notification of suspension of the Rouge National Urban Park Study / Avis de suspension de l'étude sur le parc urbain national de la Rouge

Good morning,

For your information, the Honorable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change issued a statement announcing the suspension of the [Rouge National Urban Park Study](#) in response to the Government of Ontario's decision to return all lands removed from the Greenbelt in 2022 and restore Greenbelt development protections. The study had been launched the study to assess the environmental effects of development adjacent to the Park due to the widespread concerns expressed by Indigenous Peoples and the general public.

The Government of Canada is expecting more details regarding the reinstatement of all protections of former Greenbelt lands by the Government of Ontario and next steps in the process.

The Government of Canada remains committed to protecting the Park's biodiversity, natural resources and natural processes, while maintaining important working relationships with Indigenous communities and supporting a vibrant farming community around the Park.

The full statement can be viewed here: <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/document/153083?culture=en-CA>.

Please note that, with the suspension of the Rouge National Urban Park Study, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada is no longer accepting funding applications for the conduct of the study at this time.

Sincerely,

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