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Policy Planning Department  
City of Vaughan  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
Vaughan, Ontario L6A 1T1

**Attn: Tony Iacobelli, Senior Environmental Planner**

Dear Sir,

**RE: City of Vaughan Natural Heritage Network Study  
Natural Heritage Network Inventory and Improvements  
5859 Rutherford Road**

Weston Consulting represents the owners of the above noted lands in the City of Vaughan. We wish to make this submission on behalf of the owners as it relates to the subject lands and the proposed policy and schedule changes proposed through the Natural Heritage Study, being considered by the Committee of the Whole, April 14, 2015.

The lands located at 5859 Rutherford Road are designated within the Natural Heritage Network of the Vaughan Official Plan (2010). However, the owners have filed an appeal to the Vaughan Official Plan (2010) with respect to the designation and policies and are seeking to legalize the existing structures and to allow for reasonable development opportunities on the subject lands. We have done an initial review of the proposed schedule changes and while we support certain modifications to Schedule 2, which appear to recognize the developable portion of the property, we would like to ensure that there is an opportunity to allow further modifications to all Schedules.

Our Client is in the process of having its Environmental Consulting team assess the natural heritage features on the property and we would like to ensure that the proposed policies permit modifications to mapping based on the outcome of detailed environmental studies.

We are also in discussions with City Staff to address the matters of our appeal based on our Client's objectives and the outcome of our team's environmental work. Please consider this our formal request to be notified concerning any further meetings or decisions concerning this study and the related Official Plan Amendment.

Please contact the undersigned below or Julia Pierdon at ext. 307 if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

**Weston Consulting**

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