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**County of Brant Development Services** 

Re: Application #CT1-22-AA

I am writing this letter in opposition to the location of the proposed telecommunications tower at 510 Brant-Waterloo Rd. While I am not opposed to the tower itself and understand that in today's world and in our area, towers are required.

What I am opposed to is this particular location. The proposed location is in the middle of prime agricultural land and is currently being farmed. Today, we are losing 377 acres of farmland daily in Ontario. There are many locations on the existing property or surrounding area of nonfarmable land where this could be easily be placed with no or little impact to currently farmed lands. For example, it could be placed in a less conspicuous location near existing buildings or nonfarmed land as is being done in other municipalities.

Additionally, the Marsh and Wetlands on Shouldice Rd, approaching Brant-Waterloo Rd attracts a wide variety of bird species and is frequented by many bird enthusiasts. In fact, there is an Osprey nest in the <a href="immediate">immediate</a> vicinity of the proposed tower. The proposed location will diminish the natural habitat of the birds and the beauty of the area to the locals and well visitors.

I would appreciate your consideration of these factors before a location decision is made. I can be reached at 519-658-3129 for further discussion. I can also be reached via email at

Kindest regards

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