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We are contacting you in regards to the proposed tax increase! I do believe last year was 5% or more increase and now to double that amount will not help any of Brant County residents. We would rather see the money that has been proposed for a new park and library in Paris go towards infra structure including repairs to some bridges and roads that have been closed.

Many people in the county will find this increase difficult and never any working resident ever gotten a 10.5% wage increase. and we personally would have a very difficult time with an increase in taxes while we are being detoured around the block due to the one end of road being closed. This closure creates a safety risk to the roads residents as well as other emergency vehicles. We all for growth in our county including parks and libraries but also are concerned that the infra structure issues need to be addressed first. We all would like easy access to things in the county but to continually close roads and bridges is not helping county residents.

Last year when there was an accident on County Rd 18 which blocked off access to Cockshut road leaving hundreds of vehicles trying to get around using Salt Springs. In the past they have been able to use this road and the alternative now would be for them to go through Ohsweken or go back into Brantford and over the Cockshut bridge.

Please consider that County residents would not be in agreement with an increase. It should also have been sent out to all in the county via mail or newspaper or any other method to ensure that people know about this. Many people in the County do not even know about this or how it will effect them. Please listen to your resident's concerns about this matter and make everyone aware of this proposal so we can all raise our concerns prior to a decision being made. It would be important that all residents would have this information ahead of time instead of finding out after decisions are made. Not all resident have computer access.

Joe and Linda Plant