

2024-08-28

**Attention: Regional Chair Redman & Members of Council**

Cc: Township of Wilmot Council, Fight for Farmland

**Re: Wilmot Land Assembly - Call to Action**

Chair Redman, Members of Council,

I am writing to formally express my concern with the current “Wilmot Land Assembly”, and the manner in which this Government has, and continues to conduct itself. This issue, of which I have personally coined “*Corngate*”, has evolved into an outright political scandal. The lack of transparency, the destruction of land resources, no formal public engagement, and the denial of numerous Freedom of Information (FOI) requests for technical data is extremely troubling.

Your “partner”, the Provincial Government, indicated its ‘*disappointment*’ with the way in which the Region has conducted itself in this process, suggesting greater transparency and respect be restored to the process. In the Region’s defense Chair Redman suggested the Region’s desire to be open with the affected parties, and all its Citizens, but to date *no significant action* has been taken to advance this statement. As such, I am requesting as a citizen of Waterloo Region that you take the following immediate steps:

1. Renounce the ‘Non-Disclosure Agreement’ (NDA) and declare it abandoned.
2. Release any/all documentation, communications, *unredacted*, to the public realm.
3. Schedule a special Council meeting dedicated to this issue to record public input.
4. Pause the current “assembly” process.

The public trust has been compromised. It is incumbent upon this Council to hold itself accountable to the people. I ask that all Council members, regardless of your stance on this assembly, take immediate action to restore the public trust.

Sincerely,

Rory Farnan  
Wilmot Township, Region of Waterloo Resident