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Subject: Highway 12 Blackwater - Speed & Engine Brakes
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Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

I am writing to express my concerns about the noise and speed on Highway 12 in Blackwater from Concession 4 to just before Blackwater Road. Currently the speed limit in front on my residence is 80km. I have lived here for 25 years and even though it been noisy, it's now gotten worse and safety is an issue. I would like to propose having no engine brake signs and possibly the speed reduced to 60.

Listed below are my concerns for your consideration and resolution of support.

1. The trucks start speeding past our house as early as 3am and residents cannot leave their windows open at night, they use their engine brakes when going south to enter Blackwater at the bend as the speed changes to 70km.
2. We are now seeing gravel trucks pass gravel trucks on this stretch.
3. We have a lot of children and adults who walk on the side of the road as we have no sidewalks and I believe its only a matter of time before someone gets hit. The regular vehicles speed and pass here too, going both north and southbound.
4. There is a sign when going south before Concession 4 at the bend that indicates a passing lane 2km ahead, I think some are missing the 2km and just seeing passing lane ahead.
5. There have been numerous times I have witnessed school buses stopped picking up children and hearing the brakes of either large trucks or vehicles trying to stop after speeding around one of the bends in between this stretch.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,

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