From: Making Our Mark
To:

Subject: RE: Online Form - Enquiry from Region website Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 10:40:27 AM

Hi Susan,

We have received Jessica's comments on the proposed settlement area boundary expansions.

We will forward these comments to the appropriate staff.

Best Regards,

Official Plan Team

From: Niagara Region Website

Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 6:17 PM

To: Making Our Mark **Cc:** webincoming

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Enquiry from Region website To reply, copy the email address from below and put into 'To'. (if resident entered their email address) Susan Naylor phone email municipality Fort Erie other mun subject Settlement Area Boundary Expansion/Urban FE Site 3 comments Jessica Lasaga Volunteer at Last Chance Horse and Pony Rescue To Whom it may Concern, My name is Jessica and I have been a volunteer at

Last Chance Horse and Pony Rescue for 4 years now. I just wanted to write in this letter what this rescue means to the community, how it is impactful and more importantly what it means to me. Being apart of this rescue means being able to be involved in such a great community of volunteers and have it felt like family. I first found this Rescue back in the new year of 2018, I was going through a hard time in my life and I was questioning the purpose, and I felt lost. I knew there was a piece missing to my life, wellness, and happiness. I used to be involved with horses throughout my childhood when there was some form of stability going on. I knew that this was it, the missing piece. So, I reached out to Sharron the founder and owner of Last Chance Horse and Pony Rescue and asked if I could start to volunteer. Seems like a was a good fit and started right away. At first when I joined the rescue volunteer team, I thought this was just going to be the typical "giving back to the community and animals" kind of hobby, however little did I know this was more than that. This place gave me light to the dark tunnel I was in. These horses have had a great impact to my mental health and wellbeing, they are there to listen, sense your emotion and calm your presence. Every single one of these animals in this rescue are given a second chance to life, because someone believed in them and seen the greater good. Aside from my personal experience and how this rescue impacts my wellbeing, this rescue shares the same experience and emotion from the community of the Niagara region and beyond. The events that the rescue have held in the past, allowing the community to experience such a beautiful thing has brought more people together. Seeing the impact that this rescue has even had on the other teenage volunteers who have had or experienced a hardship, bring the smiles and sense of calmness to them is what is beautiful to see. I know that this community is thankful to have a rescue like this in their area, to be able to come experience and see what farms look like. It would be a shame to reduce the footprint of more farming in the Niagara Region. This land and property that this rescue sits on holds a whole wild range of wildlife; turtles, snakes, racoons, foxes, you name it I've seen it. This place is not just a home for the horses, it is a home for wildlife. In the end, getting to know Sharron was a blessing in my life and she is close to my heart and I love her, the volunteer community, and the animals dearly. I hope this letter makes it easier to understand how this rescue impacts my life, others lives, the community, wildlife bringing everyone and everything together. Sincerely, Jessica Lasaga

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