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Dear Ms. Heron,

Thank you for your letter and comments regarding the Provincial government's proposed Bill 66.

I truly appreciate the feedback received from the Vermilion River Stewardship regarding the proposed Bill and for providing your thoughts on how it could potentially affect our community.

On January 24th, I received a letter from Minister Steve Clark, informing me that due to concerns raised by MPP's, municipalities and stakeholders, it has been decided that they will not proceed with Schedule 10 of Bill 66. The letter stated that it was never their intent to approve anything at the expense of the Greenbelt or other provincial interests like water quality or public health and safety and they will build on the ministry's monitoring and drinking water source protection activities.

I know I will be receiving further updates from the Provincial government as they continue reviewing the proposed Bill and will continue working with all levels of government to ensure balance with development and the environment.

Thank you once again for your continued advocacy and for sharing your concerns with me.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Bigger', written over a white background.

Brian Bigger
Mayor of Greater Sudbury