

Northerners for Highway Safety

TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO:

WHEREAS Northern highways are lifelines for communities, workers, families, and the economy;
WHEREAS Northern Ontario has seen too many serious collisions due to unsafe highway conditions;
WHEREAS Highways 11 and 17 are critical for Northern life and the provincial economy, yet are not maintained to the standard Northerners deserve;
WHEREAS the lack of four-laning on Highway 69 causes higher risk to drivers and greater delays in the event of an accident;
WHEREAS highway closures prevent workers from reaching their jobs, causing lost wages and economic hardship, and
WHEREAS safe and reliable highways are essential for Northern economic development;
THEREFORE we, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

- Improve winter maintenance outcomes on Northern highways, including MTO intervention or takeover of failing maintenance contracts;
- Advance the 2+1 highway project along Highway 11;
- Classify highways 11 and 17 as Class 1 Highways requiring snow to be cleared within 8 hours of the end of a snowfall;
- Complete the four-laning of Hwy 69;
- Work directly with Northern communities to address regional transportation safety needs;
- Restore MTO oversight of drivers licensing and testing when private delivery fails to meet provincial safety standards;
- Introduce its own legislation or measures if proposals from the Official Opposition are not adopted.



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