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Subject: Contract renewal for UTRCA management of ESAs

Dear Planning and Environment Committee Members,

I wish to express support for the renewal of the UTRCA contract. However the proposal to reduce the funds allocated to this purpose would be detrimental to ESAs. Citizens view ESAs, which conserve and maintain precious natural heritage, as important to London's quality of life. But ESAs face increasing challenges, notably damage due to improper uses by the public, which make their management more complex. Accordingly, the budget for the UTRCA's expert management of ESAs should be increased, not decreased. Cutting the ESA contract to reduce London's operating budget runs counter to the stated goal of "best quality management" of ESAs.

Yours truly,

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