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Attn of:

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Your Name:\*

HUGH HARRISON

Group Name:

EMBANKMENT PRESERVATION COALITION - NPAA

[If a member of Embankment Preservation Coalition or another organization with an interest in Embankment preservation, list that. If not, leave blank.]

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Comments:

We need an Environmental Impact Statement because:

DESTRUCTION OF THE EMBANKMENT WILL HAVE MANY ADVERSE EFFECTS ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD - I WILL TOUCH ON ONLY ONE. WE LIVE IN A A HIGHLY POLLUTED NEIGHBORHOOD, AND A RECENT NATIONAL SURVEY HAS PROVEN THAT THE HIGHEST RATE OF ASTHMA OCCURS IN AREAS WITH THE FEWEST GREEN SPACES. CURRENTLY THE EMBANKMENT CREATES A NATURAL BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE TWO HISTORIC AREAS OF HAMILTON PARK & HARCIMUS COVE WITH SELF SOWN SHRUBS & TREES WHICH HELP TO FILTER THE TOXINS FROM THE AIR; IF REPLENISHED WITH LARGER QUANTITIES OF NATIVE FLOWERING TREES & PLANTS - THE EMBANKMENT WILL GO A LONG WAY TOWARDS PROTECTING OUR HEALTH, PARTICULARLY OF OUR CHILDREN. IN THE LAST 30 YEARS A PHENOMENAL AMOUNT

(SEE ADDITIONAL SHEET) \*REQUIRED FIELDS

I authorize the Embankment Preservation Coalition to file this comment with the Surface Transportation Board.

Signature

Hugh Harrison

Date

April 6, 09

## HUGH HARRISON . SHEET (2)

OF CONSTRUCTION HAS TAKEN PLACE WITH THE  
EQUIVALENT LOSS OF GREEN SPACE. - LET'S NOT STEAL  
ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO PROTECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD  
FROM OVERBUILDING, WITH THE ADDITIONAL STRESS ON  
OUR SEWERS AND INFRASTRUCTURE.

THE 10TH STREET EMBANKMENT COULD HAVE BEEN  
ANOTHER TREE-PACKED BARRIER AGAINST THE HOLLAND  
TUNNEL TRAFFIC LANES. LET'S NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY  
TO PROTECT THE NEIGHBORHOOD.