From: Minister of Transportation Correspondence (Web Account)

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To: Chris Peabody **Cc:** Sonya Watson

Subject: Letter from the Honourable Caroline Mulroney regarding A Draft Transportation Plan for

Southwestern Ontario

His Worship Chris Peabody Mayor Municipality of Brockton cpeabody@brockton.ca

Dear Mayor Peabody:

I am pleased to announce that today the province released its plan to build a better transportation system in southwestern Ontario.

Connecting the Southwest: A Draft Transportation Plan for Southwestern Ontario sets out improvements to connect communities, make it easier for people to access jobs and encourage an open and competitive business environment.

We recognize that transportation plans are living documents that require continuing updates and improvements to stay relevant as the needs of people and businesses evolve. Ontario is launching public engagement to gather feedback and discuss opportunities to achieve the goals of the plan. Advice and input from municipalities will be valuable to develop implementation strategies and identify opportunities in the plan.

Municipalities are critical partners in delivering a safe, reliable and integrated transportation network to the people of Ontario. In addition to making provincial investments in transportation, we recognize that more can be done to make the transportation system work better for communities in southwestern Ontario. This plan proposes a southwestern Ontario task force on transportation integration, to make sure work to improve and integrate services is driven by local needs.

We will be reaching out with details of the proposed task force and other opportunities for us to work together on our shared goals to transform the transportation network in southwestern Ontario.

Sincerely,

Caroline Mulroney Minister of Transportation

c. Sonya Watson, CAO, Municipality of Brockton