

# Protect Ojibway Prairie

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To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario,

**WHEREAS** the Ojibway Prairie Complex is a five park system totaling 332 hectares. It represents half of the City of Windsor's remaining natural areas.

**WHEREAS** Ojibway has 160 species at risk – over 20% and 32% for Ontario and Canada's species at risk respectively. It represents Canada's, and the world's, most endangered ecosystem.

**WHEREAS** over 4000 species live on the site – over 700 plant types (100 are rare, 70 are in the Reserve), over 3000 insects, 233 bird species with breeding evidence for 71 species, and 16 mammals.

**WHEREAS** Ojibway Park and the Ojibway Prairie Provincial Nature Reserve (OPPNR) are two of the Parks in the Complex adjacent to the proposed development. These parks are: 1) designated as Natural Heritage, Environmentally Significant Areas, and in the case of the OPPNR, a Provincially Significant Wetland (PSW) and an Area of Natural and Scientific Interest (ANSI), 2) protect biodiversity by hosting: 8 endangered and 12 threatened species in Canada.

**THEREFORE, we the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows** – to designate this land with provincial importance and prevent any development on or adjacent to this land, so that the land will be protected and so too will the 91 species at risk, including 6 endangered and 12 threatened species on Schedule 1 of the Endangered Species Act.

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