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Dear Committee Members,

Preserve the Arboretum from further traffic pollution. Don't widen it.

Madison's green spaces are some of the best parts of the city and deserve special care. It's easy to see the effects of beltline traffic on the pine trees that edge the Arboretum and more fumes will threaten more of the bio-matter. The Arboretum is an important classroom for many in Madison, increasingly important as we learn to deal with climate change. Besides, we already know that another lane will invite more car traffic and within less than a decade, will be as clogged as it is today.

Madison and Dane County are growing rapidly and it is time to plan for better mass transit. Look to the future.

Sincerely,
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