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Please find attached 'The Feasibility Study to Assist Site Selection of a Hockey Heritage Museum and Arena in the Windsor, NS Area.' Communities, Culture and Heritage, the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) collectively commissioned this study which is intended to offer a preliminary overview of the two sites proposed for a new hockey museum / arena in the Windsor area.

It is important to note that in more recent weeks some have suggested a third option in an effort to advance this project. This would involve the refurbishment of the existing arena located on the agricultural lands site. Given that this option was only recently brought forth (informally) it was not included in this study. This study was undertaken to offer background and substance in an effort to fully explore the attributes and challenges of the two proposals brought forward to government. It should be noted that the Province of Nova Scotia has extended a formal offer (December 2015) to the Long Pond Society and final approval of that provincial commitment is subject to numerous conditions. The Province is prepared to review that offer in response to future developments. At this time, however, we are hopeful that the attached study will advance a productive dialogue for all interests.

Sincerely,

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