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## SUBJECT EDMONTON AND CALGARY OUTER RING ROADS

Following our review of the Ministry of Transportation's priorities, I would like to clarify my position on this issue.

Over the next 10 years, we are going to see more change in the way people use our transportation systems than we have in the last 50 years. Given the rapid changes we expect to see, it is important that we rethink how we plan our network. As demographics and technology change and evolve, we need to ensure we are not planning to encourage urban sprawl. Outer ring roads do not align with that vision and I would like to confirm future network planning will not include outer ring roads.

I appreciate the network planning that has been initiated to date and look forward to the ongoing discussion.

Brian Mason