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Good Afternoon Dorothy,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Jillian Ramsay, and I work for the Ecology Action Centre (EAC). I am reaching out to request an opportunity to be added to the agenda for the upcoming ESSC meeting on February 6, 2025.

I would like to provide a brief **information presentation** on the work the EAC is doing to educate and engage communities across HRM in alignment with the Halifax Green Network Plan (HGNP). Specifically, I would share updates on *Hike the Greenbelt 2024*, an annual program we run to connect people with green spaces around urban HRM.

This program directly supports the goals of the HGNP by:

- Educating residents about the local ecology and unique features that make these parks special
- Engaging participants in meaningful conversations about the value of connected greenspaces and the need for sustainable development practices
- Highlighting the importance of protecting and expanding HRM's natural spaces; and
- Gathering feedback from participants on why access to green spaces is important the them

As we work to help implement the HGNP's vision, I would also like to outline our plans for *Hike the Greenbelt 2025* and discuss ways the ESSC can support this effort. Your committee's leadership and collaboration are essential to ensuring the success of initiatives like these.

Thank you for considering my request. Please let me know if there are any further details or requirements for the agenda submission.

Best,

Jillian Ramsay (she/her) Green Cities Officer Kjipuktuk, Unceded Mi'kmaw Territory

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