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Culminating Task
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Three local issues are:

1. <http://www.durhamregion.com/news-story/4632543-ajax-hospital-officials-worry-over-hwy-407-exits/>
2. <http://www.durhamregion.com/news-story/4646721-scugog-casino-survey-biased-says-ajax-mayor/>
3. <http://www.durhamregion.com/news-story/4620971-design-work-for-ajax-square-200gs-over-budget/>

The issue I wish to research is:

Ajax Hospital Officials worry over hwy 407 exits.

I selected this issue because:

I thought that it would be a good local issue that had potential of conflict between two points of view.

What I already know about my issue is:

It seems that the hospital is worried about the exits on the 407 will cause delay to the ambulances making their way to the hospital.

Brainstorm to generate ideas/ questions for your issue. Generate a list of general questions that will help you direct your research.

1. Why are they worried?
2. How does this affect the hospital?
3. Can this issue be solved?
4. Why are they worried about the 407 when the hospital is far away from it?
5. Why are the constructors not building the exits sooner?

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Identify

Person/Group:

Person/Group's concern(s)

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Reasons for concern(s)

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Impact on local citizens
and community:

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What this person/group is
doing about the issue:

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* Officials at Rouge Valley Health
System (Ajax Hospital)

* Exits at hwy 407 will lengthen time to
get to hospital

* Patients won't get to hospital asap like they
need

* Residents who live far and need to get to the
hospital will have a longer time getting there.

They are trying to get the go ahead so that the
interchange to Harwood Avenue will be
constructed sooner.

All the
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407.

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A summary of Research

Part A: General Information

Restate your issue:

Ajax Hospital Officials Worry About Hwy 407 exits.

List the groups involved: (eg. City council, parent groups, students, etc.)

1. Rouge Valley Health System
2. City Council
3. Transportation Minister

List some sources that you used for your research:

1. Durhamregio.com

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Part B

Part B: Organizing your information
Go back to the Choosing an Issue worksheet that you completed for Step One. At the bottom of the page, you were to list five questions you had about this issue. In the area below, please restate those five questions and for each one, give three points of information that you discovered through your research. If you find that you cannot list three points of information, you might need to go back and do some more research.

Question 1: Why are the worried?

Points of Information:

1. Late ambulances
2. patients who live far won't be able to get to the hospital in time.
3. rise of residents means more people going to the hospital.

Question 2: How does it involve the hospital?

Points of Information:

1. people trying to get to the hospital won't be able to due to distance.
2. Hospital can loose patients for being too far.
- 3.

Question 3: Can this issue be solved?

Points of Information:

1. If the exits to Salem and Westney are built sooner.
2. The put other emergency routes for just the ambulances.
- 3.

Question 4: Why are the worried about the 407 when the hospital is far from it?

Points of Information:

1. Its the only hospital in Ajax and Pickering, so the people have to come there and they might use the 407 hwy.
2. Ambulances that need to get to emergency can use the hwy but no exit means more time wasted.
- 3.

Question 5: Why aren't the constructors building the exits sooner?

Points of Information:

1. They feel that it is not needed right now.
2. It will be built, just not in phase one.
- 3.

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Part C

Part C: Summarizing Your Information

It can often help to make sense of an issue and the research you have gathered, if you summarize it into a paragraph. Write a paragraph of at least 5 – 7 sentences to describe the research you have gathered on your issue.

The local issue I reviewed was titled "Ajax hospital officials worry over hwy 407 exits". To summarize, the officials are worried that since the exits from the 407 aren't going where they need them too, then there could be big issues for the hospital. On the other hand, the constructors side sees no need for them to worry since the exits aren't need at the moment. But the officials think that if they aren't built soon, then there is no way for patients to get to the hospital in a good time. The builder said that there is no need to worry, and that the exits are going to be built just not in phase 1.

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Point of View

It is important to remember that different members of the community have different points of view about what is happening and what is important.

It is now time for you to identify the different possible viewpoints about the issue you have researched.

- A. Identify the different groups who have a stake in the issue researched.
- B. Summarize the group's viewpoint on the issue.
- C. Identify the major arguments made by these groups to justify their stand.

GROUP VIEWPOINT ARGUMENT

B) Hospital officials - are worried that due to the postponing of the exits at Westney and Salem, Patients won't get to the hospital in time.

City councils - They say that the increasing number of people living in the two cities means that there is a higher risk of people needing to go to the hospital.

Transportation Ministry - They think that there is no need for the exits to be built right now and that they can just make a temporary emergency route for the ambulances if needed.

A) The different groups involved are the Rouge Valley Health Systems officials at the Ajax hospital, City council of Ajax/ Pickering, and the Transportation Ministry who are constructing the roads.

C) Hospital officials - They say that if the exits aren't built, then there could be more accidents and also waste of time trying to get from the 407 to the hospital.

Councils - They say that the hospital had more people relying on them, so if the exits aren't there then those people will have a tough time and put the hospital under more pressure.

Transportation Ministry - They say that The exits aren't in need right now and that they will ensure that the current routes will be safe. They said that the exits for Westney and Salem are going to happen but not now, so the hospital officials shouldn't worry so much.

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