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Unfortunately, too often roads are built cutting through wildlife areas. Inevitably there will be collisions between vehicles and wildlife. Not only am I concerned for the myriad of animals killed needlessly on our highways, but for the people who are killed. Like the young lady my friend was driving back to college. They hit a deer and she was killed. I have also had too many incidents. Still sad about a rabbit I ran over. It came out suddenly. Was thankful that the deer I hit just fell but got back up and off the road. Countless spring frogs smashed as they were migrating to their courting grounds. And so many others, from a beaver and goat to a wallaby and weasel. My daughter went off the road, rolling before she stopped trying to avoid a cat. She was ok. And Sadly, the deer, the cat, and raccoon that had to be shot after each were hit but not quite dead. The list suggests that we are losing far more wildlife than we should because we aren't making an effort to avoid the happening. I want you to help by building safe passageways for these animals. Thank you.

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