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RE: Review and Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 1-2 Archaeological Assessment: Stroh Lands, Lot 13, Concession 1 Eastern Division, Wellesley, Ontario. ", Dated Feb 16, 2021, Filed with MHSTCI Toronto Office on Feb 26, 2021, MHSTCI Project Information Form Number P083-0361-2020, MHSTCI File Number 0013288

Dear Mr. Figura:

This office has reviewed the above-mentioned report, which has been submitted to this ministry as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18. This review has been carried out in order to determine whether the licensed professional consultant archaeologist has met the terms and conditions of their licence, that the licensee assessed the property and documented archaeological resources using a process that accords with the 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* set by the ministry, and that the archaeological fieldwork and report recommendations are consistent with the conservation, protection and preservation of the cultural heritage of Ontario.

The report documents the assessment/mitigation of the study area as depicted in Figure 4 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

The cultural heritage value or interest of the four identified archaeological sites (Location 1, Location 2, Location 3, and Location 4) is judged to be sufficiently documented. The archaeological sites do not fulfill the criteria for a Stage 3 archaeological investigation as per the MHSTCI's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011). Therefore, no Stage 3 archaeological assessment is recommended for Location 1, Location 2, Location 3, and Location 4, and no further archaeological assessment of the study area is recommended.

Based on the information contained in the report, the ministry is satisfied that the fieldwork and reporting for the archaeological assessment are consistent with the ministry's 2011 *Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists* and the terms and conditions for archaeological licences. This report has been entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. Please note that the ministry makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of reports in the register.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Davies Archaeology Review Officer

cc. Archaeology Licensing Officer
Ron Stroh, Strohvest Ontario Inc.
Geoff VanderBaaren, The Township of Wellesley

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