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RE: Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment of 3900 Lake Ridge Road, Part Of Lot 15, Concession 7 & 8, Township Of Uxbridge, Durham Region", Dated October 31, 2012, Received by MTCS Toronto Office on January 21, 2013, MTCS Project Information Form Number P361-014-2012, MTCS File Number 18AG033

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**THE STAGE 2 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT
OF 3900 LAKE RIDGE ROAD,
PART OF LOT 15, CONCESSION 7 & 8,
TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE, DURHAM REGION**
(original)



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report details the rationale, methods and results of the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment of 3900 Lake Ridge Road, Part Of Lot 15, Concession 7 & 8, Township Of Uxbridge, Durham Region. The archaeological assessment was required under the Aggregate Resources Act R.S.O. 1990 prior to the development of a quarry on these lands.

The 43.7 acre subject property consists of several agricultural fields and a farm building complex. A Stage 1 archaeological assessment of the subject property was conducted by our firm earlier this year (AAL 2012). The results of the Stage 1 assessment indicated that the majority of the subject property did have some potential for both aboriginal and Euro-Canadian archaeological resources.

The Stage 2 assessment was conducted in October, 2012. All of the agricultural fields were ploughed and were pedestrian surveyed at 5 metre intervals. The scrubland and lawn areas associated with the farm building complex were shovel test pitted at 5 metre intervals.

No archaeological sites were encountered during the course of the fieldwork portion of this study. Accordingly, there are no other further concerns for impacts to archaeological resources on these lands. No further archaeological assessment of this parcel of land is required.

tablelands associated with sandy loam soils. Historic mapping also indicated that the property may have contained an unregistered mid to late 19th century Euro-Canadian homestead. It was therefore recommended that the subject property should be subjected to a Stage 2 archaeological assessment prior to the development of this parcel of land (AAL 2012).

The background research confirmed that no archaeological sites had been registered within or immediately adjacent to the subject property prior to this assessment (Robert von Bitter: personal communication). The background research determined that there were no registered archaeological sites located within a 1km radius of the subject property (AAL 2012).

1.3 HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Information on potential Euro-Canadian archaeological planning concerns was derived from an examination of the *1877 Illustrated Historical Atlas of Ontario County, Ontario* (J.H. Beers & Company 1877). The subject property is located on part of Lot 15, Concession 7 and 8 in the Township of Uxbridge. In 1877, the subject property was owned by a J. Bowles, who owned two homesteads which were situated on the subject lands (Figure 3). The homestead shown close to the eastern edge of the property is in the same location as the farm building complex that occupies the property today (AAL 2012). The homestead shown in the northwestern section of the subject lands may have represented a unregistered mid to late 19th century Euro-Canadian site. However, no evidence of this potentially unregistered historic site was found as a result of the Stage 2 assessment. It appears likely that this homestead was located west of the subject property or has been destroyed by Goodwood Road.

2.0 STAGE 2 FIELD ASSESSMENT

2.1 FIELD METHODS

The Stage 2 assessment of the property was conducted under the field supervision of Chris Brown (License R220), Archaeological Assessments Ltd., on October 18, 2012 under sunny and cool weather conditions. The agricultural fields were all ploughed for the assessment and were well weather with good visibility at the time of the survey. All of the fields were pedestrian surveyed at 5 metre intervals, and represent approximately 85% of the entire survey area (Figure 4).

Areas of obvious disturbance which no longer have any archaeological potential include the closed road allowance, gravel laneways and driveway, the house, barn and outbuildings. An area of severe slope located west of the farm building complex has no archaeological potential and was not shovel test pitted.

All the lawn and scrubland areas associated with the farm building complex were shovel test pitted at 5 metre intervals to within one metre of all buildings and hard scaped areas (Figure 4). Each test pit measured more than 30 cm (one foot) in diameter and was excavated 5cm into the subsoil. The

that there are no further concerns with regard to alterations to archaeological sites by the proposed development.

It is an offence under Sections 48 and 69 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for any party other than a licensed archaeologist to make any alteration to a known archaeological site or to remove any artifact or other physical evidence of past human use or activity from the site, until such time as a licensed archaeologist has completed archaeological fieldwork on the site, submitted a report to the Minister stating that the site has no further cultural heritage value or interest, and the report has been filed in the Ontario Public Register of Archaeology Reports referred to in Section 65.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Should previously undocumented archaeological resources be discovered, they may be a new archaeological site and therefore subject to Section 48 (1) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. The proponent or person discovering the archaeological resources must cease alteration of the site immediately and engage a licensed consultant archaeologist to carry out archaeological fieldwork, in compliance with Section 48 (1) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The *Cemeteries Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. C.4 and the *Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act*, 2002, S.O. 2002, c.33 (when proclaimed in force) require that any person discovering human remains must notify the police or coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries at the Ministry of Consumer Services.

4.0 MAPS

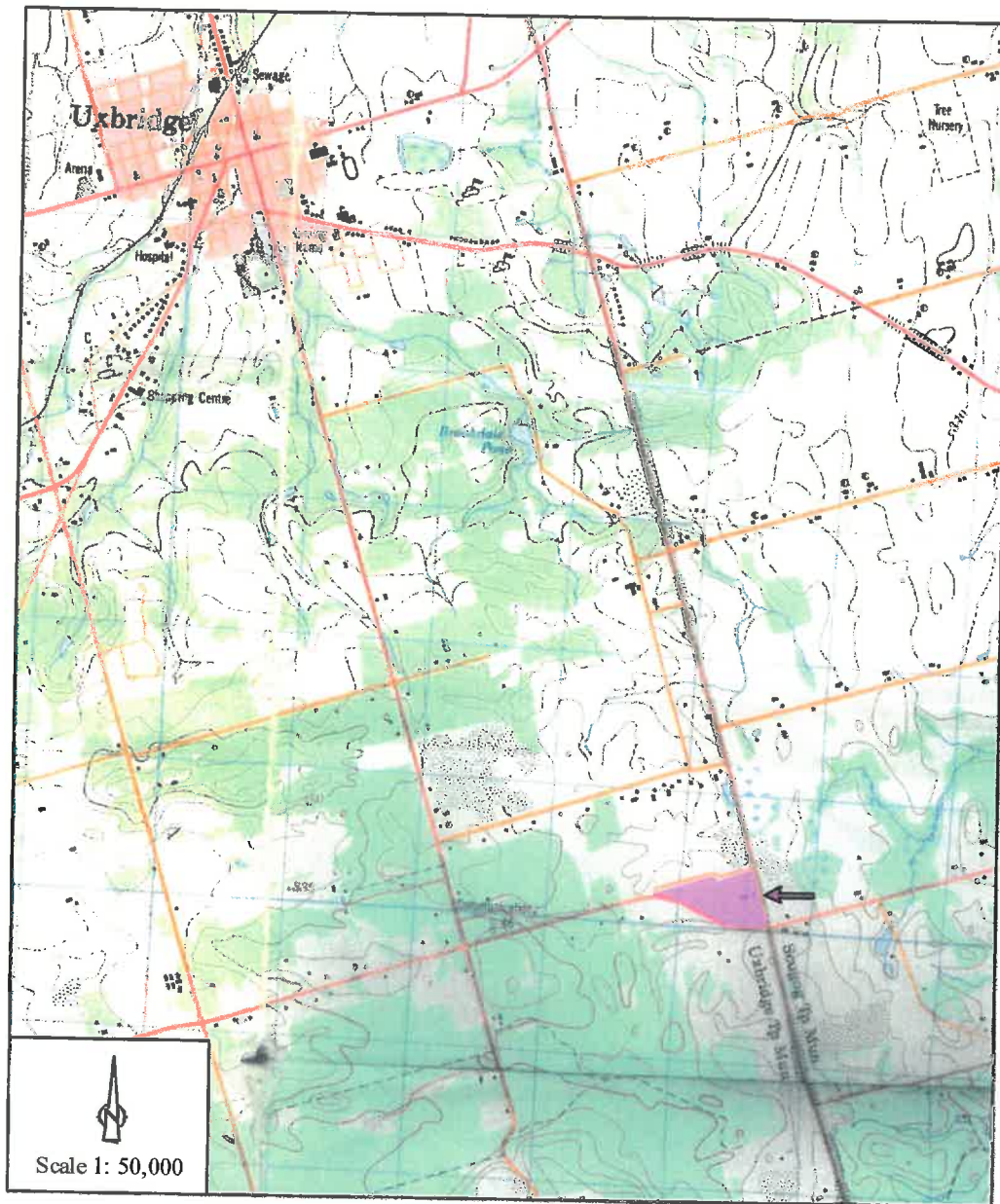


Figure 1. General Location of the Subject Property (Department of Energy, Mines and Resources 1988 Newmarket 31 D/3)





Figure 3. 1877 Historical Atlas Map of Uxbridge Township
Showing Approximate Location of the Subject Property
(Miles & Company 1878)

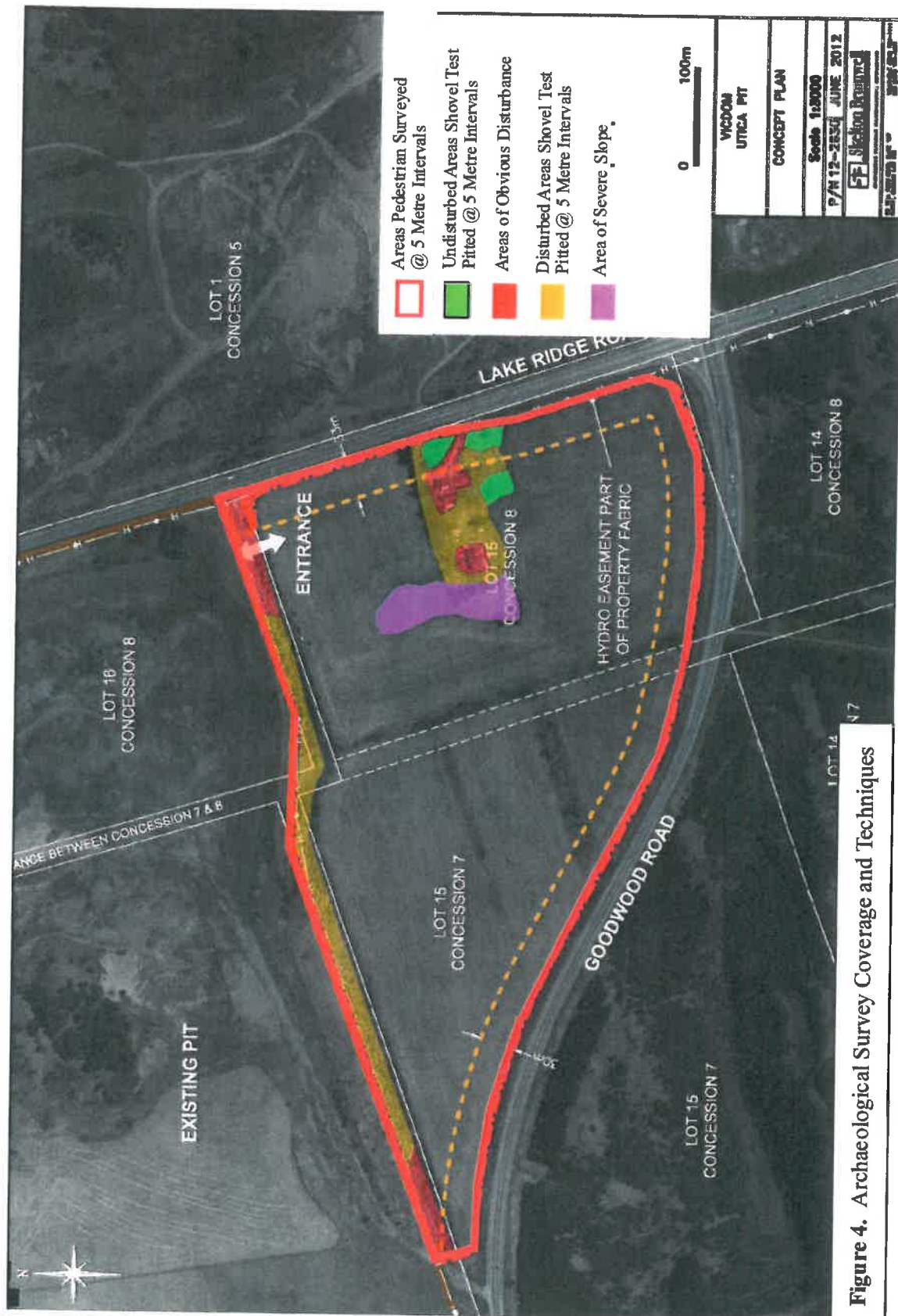
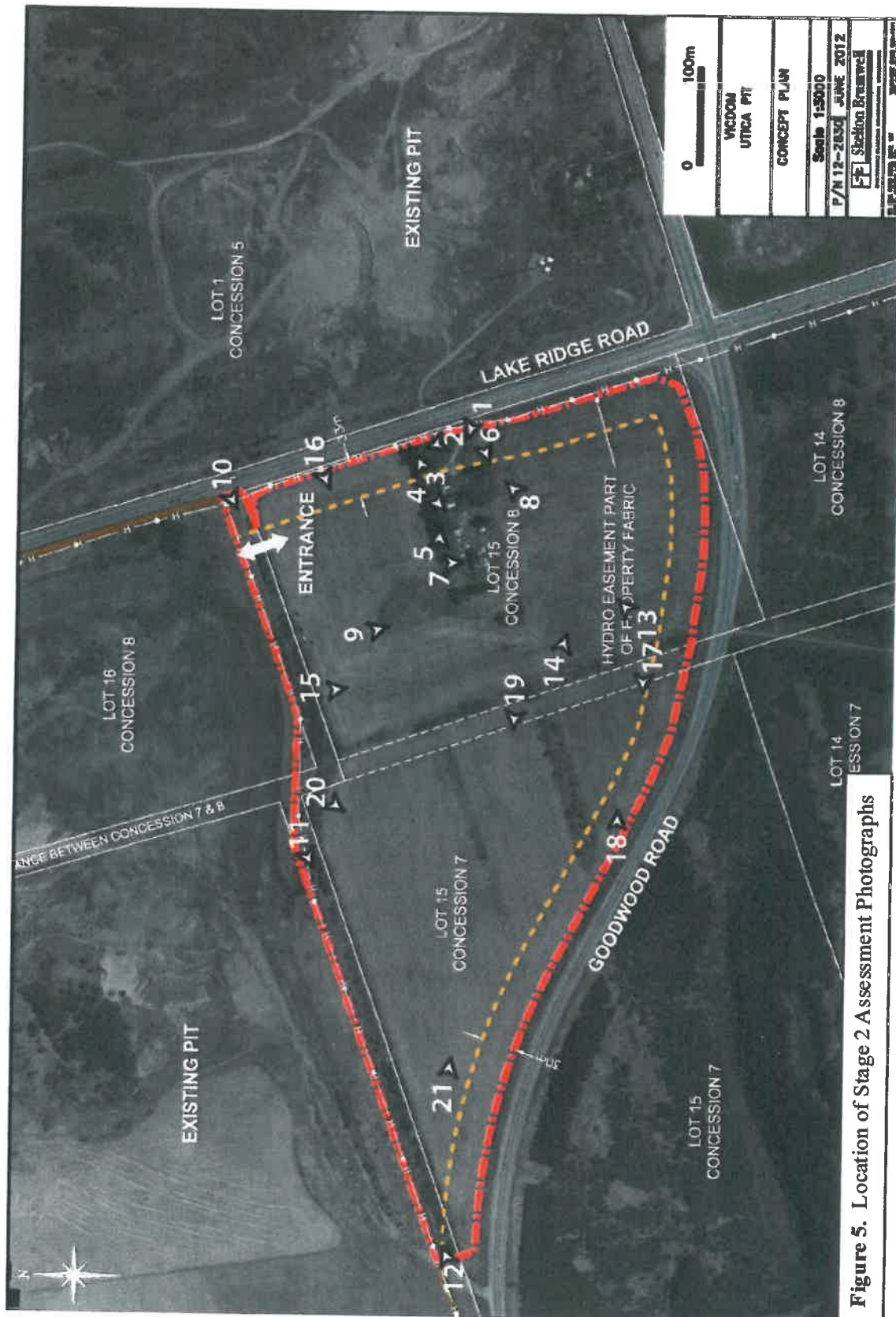


Figure 4. Archaeological Survey Coverage and Techniques



5.0 IMAGES



Plate 1. Residence & Gravel Driveway
(view northwest)



Plate 2. East Lawn Area
(view northwest)



Plate 3. Former Gravel Laneway
(view northeast)



Plate 4. Farm Complex
(view southwest)



Plate 5. Gravel Laneway
(view east)



Plate 6. Southeast Scrublands
(view southwest)



Plate 7. Barn & Farm Complex
(view south)



Plate 8. Southeast Scrublands
(view northeast)



Plate 9. Western Sloping Scrublands
(view south)



Plate 10. Northern Road Allowance (E. End)
(view southwest)



Plate 11. Northern Road Allowance (Central)
(view southwest)



Plate 12. Northern Road Allowance (W. End)
(view northeast)



Plate 13. Southeast Field
(view northeast)



Plate 14. Southeast Field
(view east)



Plate 15. Northeast Field
(view south)



Plate 16. Northeast Field
(view southwest)



Plate 17. Southwest Field
(view west)



Plate 18. Southwest Field
(view east)



Plate 19. Northwest Field
(view west)



Plate 20. Northwest Field
(view southwest)



Plate 21. Northwest Field
(view east)

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