



**Stage 1 Archaeological
Assessment: Garner Road Class
EA**

Part of Lots 33 to 46, Concession 3 and
4, Geographic Township of Ancaster,
former Wentworth County, now City of
Hamilton, Ontario

June 30, 2023

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**RECORD OF INDIGENOUS
ENGAGEMENT**



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Indigenous Engagement

1.0 INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT

This document provides a description of the engagement practices that were conducted during the Stage 1 of the Project. No additional documentation arose from the engagement process.

The Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism draft technical bulletin entitled *Engaging Aboriginal Communities in Archaeology* states in Section 1.2 that for archaeological projects in Ontario it is encouraged that Indigenous communities are engaged during the following:

1. Stage 1, when conducting background study;
2. Stage 1, when evaluating archaeological potential;
3. Stage 2, when assessing a property and determining whether or not a site should be subject to Stage 3; and
4. Stage 3, when making recommendations to excavate or preserve Aboriginal sites.

1.1 REPORT REVIEW

Prior to MCM submission, a digital copy of the Stage 1 archaeological assessment report for the Project was provided to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) via email on September 22, 2022, for review and input regarding the Stage 1 results. The MCFN responded on September 28, 2022, with a recommendation regarding the survey interval for pedestrian survey around the Snyder Cemetery (AhHa-26). Correspondence related to the report review can be found in Section 2.



Correspondence

2.0 CORRESPONDENCE



From: [Bartlett, Isaac](#)
To: [Hohner, Paula](#)
Cc: [Micks, Sarah](#)
Subject: FW: City of Hamilton - Garner Rd EA
Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 2:18:27 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image007.png](#)

FYI below

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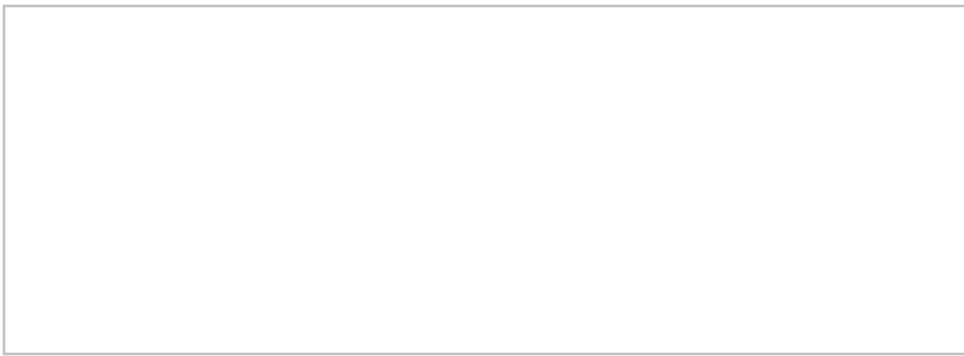
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From: Marie-Annick Prevost <Marie-Annick.Prevost@mncfn.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 1:13 PM
To: Salvucci, Megan <Megan.Salvucci@hamilton.ca>
Cc: Mansour, Vivian <Vivian.Mansour@hamilton.ca>; Bartlett, Isaac <isaac.bartlett@stantec.com>; Adam LaForme <Adam.LaForme@mncfn.ca>
Subject: RE: City of Hamilton - Garner Rd EA

Aanii Megan,

On behalf of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Department of Consultation and Accommodation, I reviewed the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment report prepared by Stantec for the Garner Road EA.

I noted that part of the project area (near 216 Garner road) is located very close to the registered site AhHa-26, a Neutral burial site associated with the Snyder village (AhHa-3). Stantec's report and the MTCS database do not provide a lot of information on this site. My understanding is that Ancestral remains scattered by ploughing were observed and collected in a field in 1983. It is unclear to me where the original burial site is, its size, and how many Ancestors it may have contained. This area is already recommended for Stage 2 survey by Stantec. However, since it is a sensitive area for MCFN, **we would like the survey interval to be reduced to 1m (instead of the usual 5m) in a radius of 500m from AhHa-26.**



We look forward to collaborating with you on this project.

Miigwech,

Marie-Annick Prevost, Ph.D. (she/her)

Field archaeologist



Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN)
Department of Consultation and Accommodation (DOCA)
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Cell: 905-870-5844

From: Salvucci, Megan <Megan.Salvucci@hamilton.ca>

Sent: Thursday, September 22, 2022 4:02 PM

To: Mark LaForme <Mark.LaForme@mncfn.ca>; Adam LaForme <Adam.LaForme@mncfn.ca>; Abby LaForme <Abby.LaForme@mncfn.ca>; Adrian Blake <Adrian.Blake@mncfn.ca>

Cc: DOCA Admin <DOCA.Admin@mncfn.ca>; Mansour, Vivian <Vivian.Mansour@hamilton.ca>; Bartlett, Isaac <isaac.bartlett@stantec.com>

Subject: City of Hamilton - Garner Rd EA

Good afternoon,

Hope you are all doing well.

Over the last year, I've reached out with various updates on the progress of the City of Hamilton's Garner Rd EA project, which is looking at roadway improvements along Garner Road between Wilson Street and the Highway 403 off ramp. Attached to this email is the project's draft Stage 1 archaeological assessment for your review and comment. We're hoping to get comments back by the end of October but can adjust our timing based on your schedule. I've also attached our agreement – once you have signed, please send a copy back.

As a general project update, we are currently aiming to release the project's alternative solutions in early 2023 for review and comment. When we approach that point in the project, you'll receive additional information on the preferred alternative solution and the project's next steps.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require any additional information. As a note, I will be away September 23rd to October 7th so, if you do have any questions/comments, I can connect with you when I return.

Thank you,
Megan

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**ORIGINAL SUPPLEMENTARY
DOCUMENTATION**

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1 Correspondence

The following pages are records of correspondence with the Bereavement Authority of Ontario and cemetery operators.



1.1 Bereavement Authority of Ontario



From: [Ray Porrill](#)
To: [Hoskins, Patrick](#)
Subject: RE: Cemetery Info
Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 2:27:04 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[Bethesda United Church Cemetery Map.pdf](#)
[Resurrection Roman Catholic Cemetery Map.pdf](#)
[Shaver Family Cemetery Map.pdf](#)
[White Brick Church Cemetery Map.pdf](#)

Hi Patrick.

Pulled all four files and attached the maps located. I hope they are of assistance.

Best Regards,
Ray Porrill | Licensing Officer
(He | Him)

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From: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Sent: November 12, 2024 10:41 AM
To: Ray Porrill <ray.porrill@thebao.ca>
Subject: Cemetery Info

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Hi Ray,

I hope you're doing well. Would you be able to send over any maps/plans for the following cemeteries in Ancaster?

Shaver Family Cemetery (CM-2001227)
Bethesda Cemetery (CM-2001224)
Resurrection Cemetery (CM-2000076)
White Brick Church Cemetery (CM-2001232)

Thanks!
Patrick

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PLAN

SHOWING

RESURRECTION CEMETERY

PART OF LOT 40 CONCESSION 4 TOWNSHIP OF ANCASTER

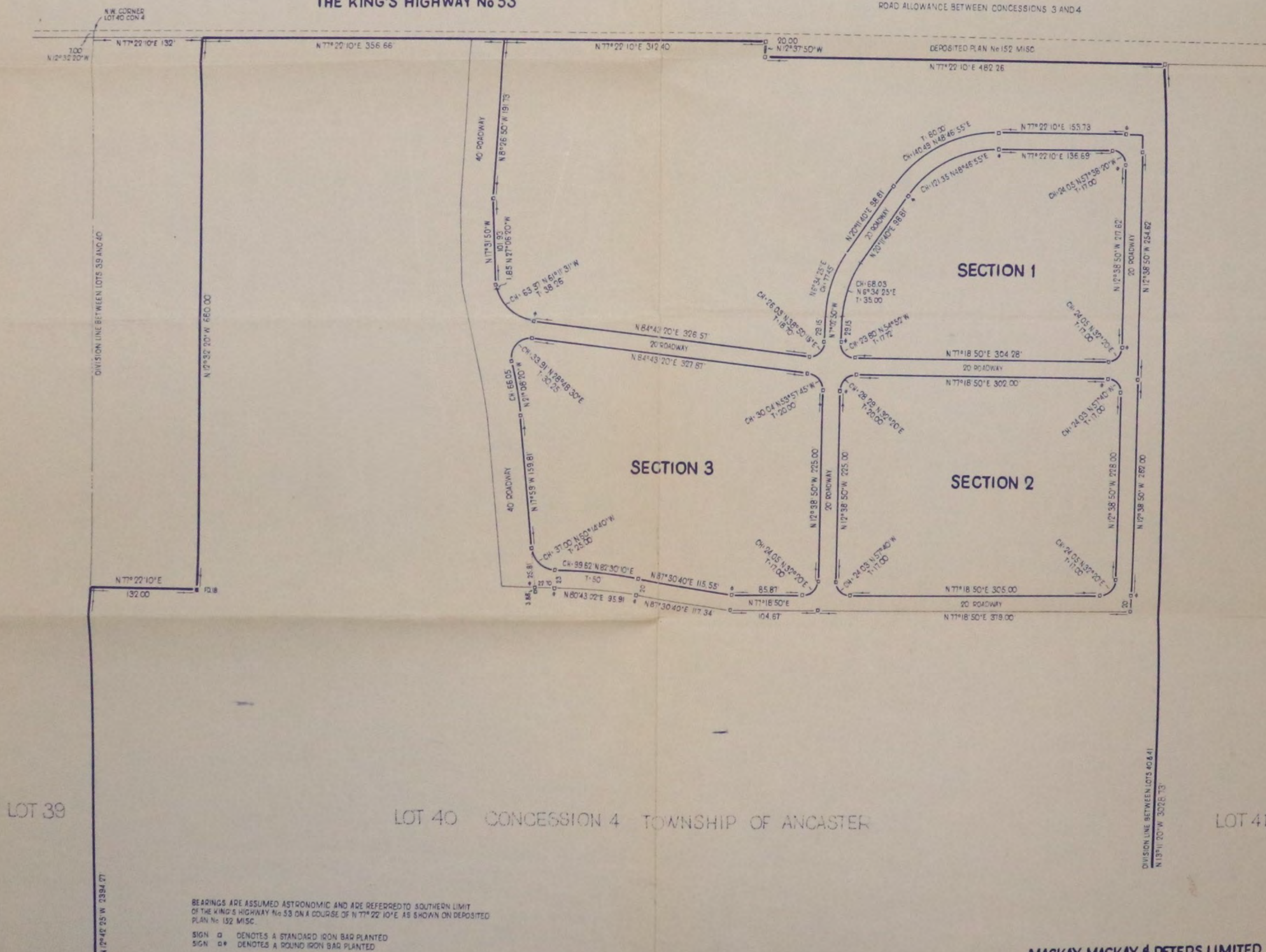
TOWN OF ANCASTER

SCALE 1"=100'



THE KING'S HIGHWAY No 53

ROAD ALLOWANCE BETWEEN CONCESSIONS 3 AND 4



BEARINGS ARE ASSUMED ASTRONOMIC AND ARE REFERRED TO SOUTHERN LIMIT
OF THE KING'S HIGHWAY No 53 ON A COURSE OF N 77° 22' 10" E AS SHOWN ON DEPOSITED
PLAN No 152 MISC.

SIGN □ DENOTES A STANDARD IRON BAR PLANTED
SIGN □* DENOTES A ROUND IRON BAR PLANTED

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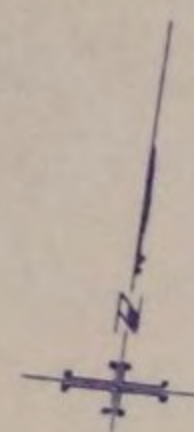
RESURRECTION CEMETERY

SECTION 4

IN THE

TOWN OF ANCASTER

SCALE 1" = 20'



FOR

FUTURE

DEVELOPEMENT

WATERCOURSE

ROADWAY

40'

SECTION 3

ALL PATHS ARE 2' WIDE
ALL LOTS ARE 3'25" x 10' 0"

N 77° 22' 10" E

N 77° 22' 10" E

385' 30"

20.0' 3.88' 5.18'

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Roadway between Concessions 3 & 4.

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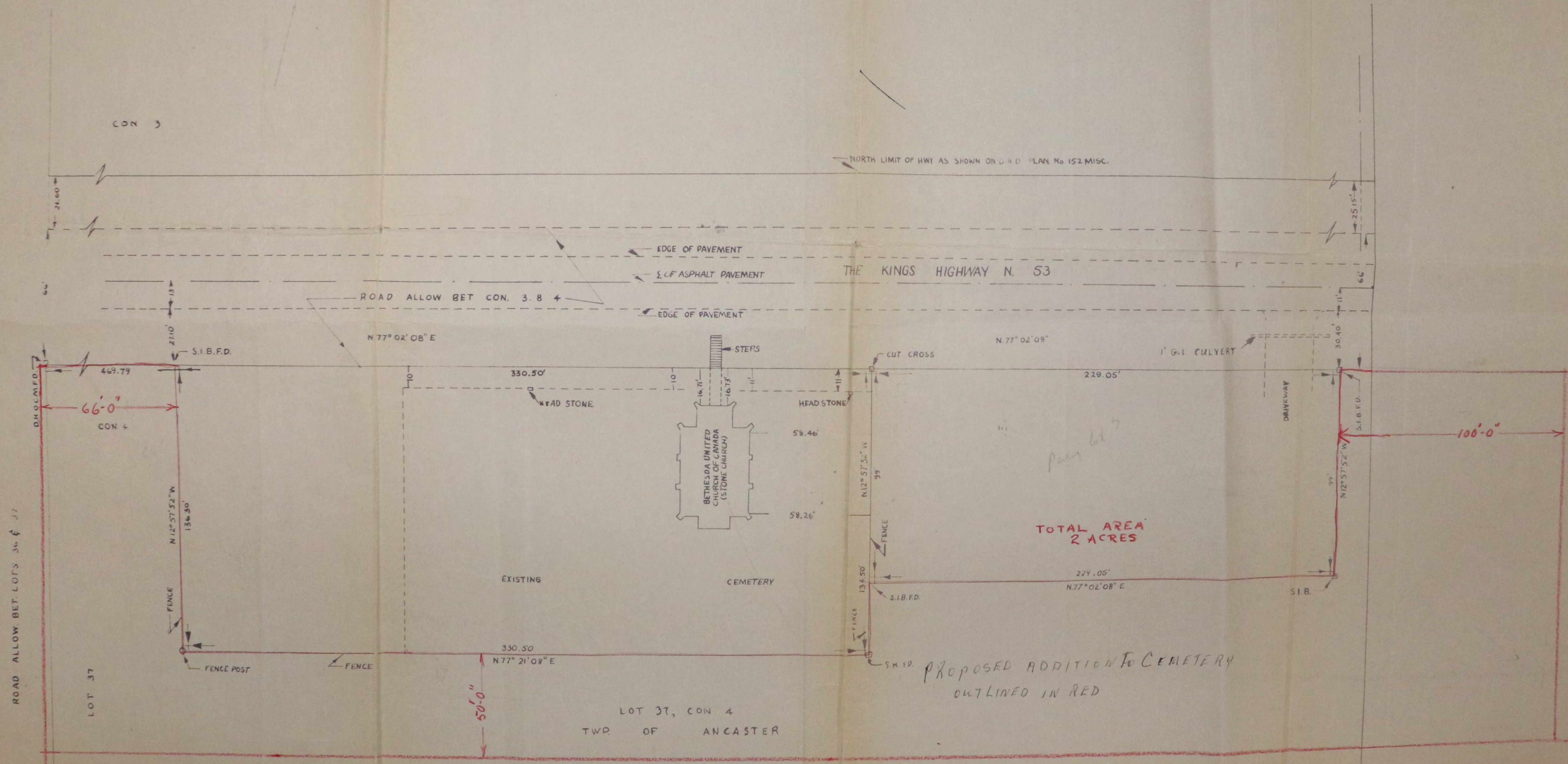
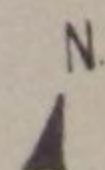
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DATE May 2, 1963

APP. NO. 63-C-53-1-10

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PLAN
 OF
 PART OF LOT 37, CON 4
 IN THE
 TOWNSHIP OF ANCASTER
 SCALE 1 IN = 30 FT.



PROPOSED ADDITION TO CEMETERY
 OUTLINED IN RED

PLAN

SHOWING

PART OF LOT 37 CONCESSION 4
IN THE

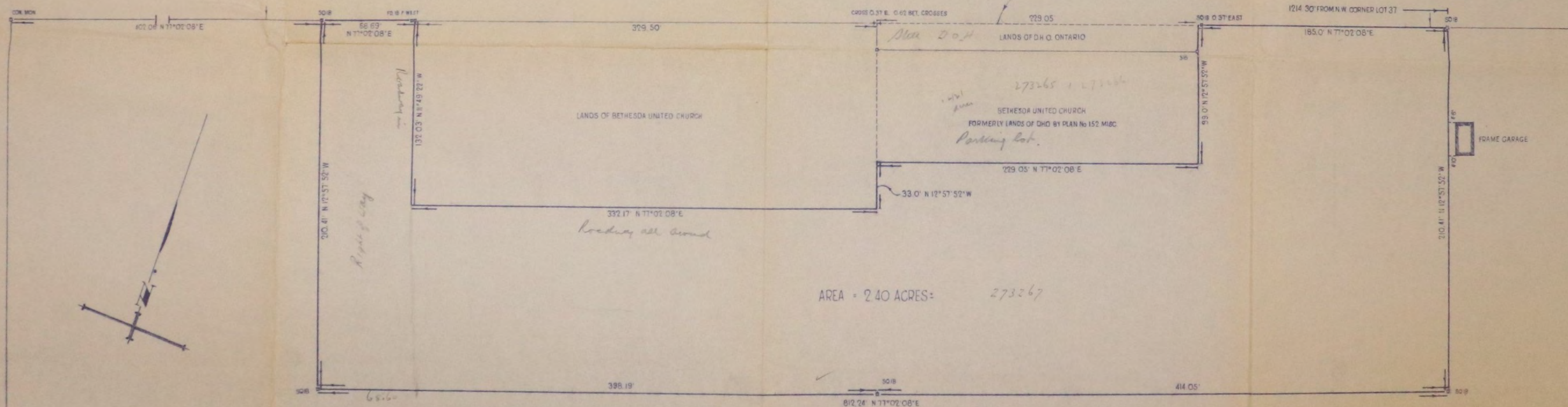
TOWNSHIP OF ANCASTER

SCALE: 1" = 50'

THE KING'S HIGHWAY No 53
DEPOSITED PLAN No 152 MISC

ROAD ALLOWANCE BETWEEN CONCESSIONS 3 & 4

ROAD ALLOWANCE BETWEEN LOTS 36 & 37



LOT 37 CONCESSION 4 TOWNSHIP OF ANCASTER

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1.2 Resurrection Catholic Cemetery



From: [William Templeton](#)
To: [Hoskins, Patrick](#)
Cc: [Art Smith](#); [Dwayne Cahill](#); [John Medeiros](#)
Subject: FW: Resurrection Cemetery (Ancaster)
Date: Thursday, November 28, 2024 4:02:33 PM
Attachments: [Resurrection Roman Catholic Cemetery Map.pdf](#)

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Good afternoon Mr. Hoskins,

I apologize for the late response. I can confirm that our boundaries have not changed with any previous expansions. If you have any further questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,
Bill



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From: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Sent: November 28, 2024 2:35 PM
To: Art Smith <asmith@thecatholiccemeteries.ca>

Subject: RE: Resurrection Cemetery (Ancaster)

Good afternoon,

Just following up regarding the request in the e-mail below. A response would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
Patrick

From: Hoskins, Patrick
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 8:41 AM
To: asmith@thecatholiccemeteries.ca
Subject: Resurrection Cemetery (Ancaster)

Good morning,

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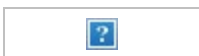
Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
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1.3 White Brick Cemetery



From: [Warren, Joanne](#)
To: [Hoskins, Patrick](#)
Subject: RE: White Brick Cemetery - Ancaster
Date: Monday, November 18, 2024 4:10:14 PM

Hi Patrick. We have just taken over White Brick Church Cemetery this year so I cannot answer that question. I can tell you that the map you have is what we were given. My guess would be that the boundaries hve not changed.

Regards,

Joanne B. Warren

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From: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 3:50 PM
To: Warren, Joanne <Joanne.Warren@hamilton.ca>
Subject: RE: White Brick Cemetery - Ancaster

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Thanks for the quick reply Joanne.

One follow-up question, are you able to confirm if the cemetery boundaries have ever changed or have they always been the same?

Thanks,
Patrick

From: Warren, Joanne <Joanne.Warren@hamilton.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 9:44 AM
To: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Subject: Re: White Brick Cemetery - Ancaster

Hi Patrick. This map shows the boundaries as we know them.

Regards,

Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada's largest network.

From: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>

Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 8:41:50 AM
To: Warren, Joanne <Joanne.Warren@hamilton.ca>
Subject: White Brick Cemetery - Ancaster

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1.4 Bethesda United Church Cemetery



From: [Laura Jerome](#)
To: [Hoskins, Patrick](#)
Subject: Re: Bethesda United Church Cemetery - Ancaster
Date: Friday, December 13, 2024 10:55:11 AM

Hi Patrick

I have had the plans you sent blown up to regulation plan size just to see if it matches what I have. Comparing the plans to what I have found is a little different there is no ten feet from the church steps top to the west. There are markers and burials right at the top of bank. I am not sure if these burials were moved to this location as part of the widening of the road since this cemetery was established before the church was built back 200 years (1825). There is also a drainage ditch/swale as there is no sewer system to remove water. That leaves about 3-5 feet to the road. Also at top of hill east of the stairs is the access to the church with less then 2 feet to top of bank. If you talk to the City of Hamilton you will find that there is a excess water problem on Garner Road between Shaver and Fiddlers Green (I am sure there is more further east). That being said the swale being filled in would not be an option without sewers.

Hope this answers your questions
Laura Jerome
sec/treasure

On Friday, December 13, 2024 at 08:10:09 a.m. EST, Hoskins, Patrick <patrick.hoskins@stantec.com> wrote:

[Hi Laurie,](#)

[Just checking in again to see if you would be able to confirm the cemetery boundaries and if they have ever been reduced due to any expansion on Garner Road.](#)

[Thanks,](#)
[Patrick](#)

From: Hoskins, Patrick
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 11:44 AM
To: Laura Jerome <jeromedesigns@yahoo.ca>
Subject: RE: Bethesda United Church Cemetery - Ancaster

[Hi Laurie,](#)

[Just wondering if you've had a chance to look at your maps yet for this request.](#)

[Thanks,](#)
[Patrick](#)

From: Laura Jerome <jeromedesigns@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2024 11:43 PM
To: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>

Subject: Re: Bethesda United Church Cemetery - Ancaster

Hi Patrick

I am out of town till the end of next week. I will be able to look into your request when I get back and look at my maps.

Thank you
Laurie Jerome

On Monday, November 18, 2024 at 08:40:35 a.m. EST, Hoskins, Patrick <patrick.hoskins@stantec.com> wrote:

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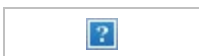
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2 MCM Correspondence

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From: [Gray, Rebecca \(She/Her\) \(MCM\)](#)
To: [Hoskins, Patrick](#)
Cc: [Wallace, Melissa \(MCM\)](#); [Archaeology \(MCM\)](#)
Subject: RE: REVISED REPORT REQUIRED: P415-0320-2021:V1:Oct 24, 2024 / *
Date: Friday, January 24, 2025 2:25:23 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Good afternoon Patrick,

Apologies for the delayed response. Below are the answers to your questions concerning the Bethesda United Church:

The church owns a large parcel of land with the cemetery only taking up a portion of it. The plan that I received from the BAO suggests that the cemetery is located in only a small portion and that the remainder of the property was acquired at a later date. This suggests that the cemetery is contained to within the current boundaries. I was wondering if on the mapping I would mark out the boundaries for the property as a whole and then have a separate mark out for the cemetery itself. Would that be appropriate or do I need to mark the entire church property as being a part of the cemetery boundaries? I've marked up the attached PDF so you can see what I mean.

- It is assumed you are defining the cemetery to be only those lands with obvious interments indicated by markers (i.e. area outlined in blue on map in file Bethesda Markup). Did the BAO confirm that the lands beyond this area is not considered "cemetery" land? This is an important distinction under the FBCSA. Can you please forward us the correspondence with the BAO and Cemetery operator.

I've contacted the cemetery operator for this cemetery, and she was unable to confirm the boundaries of the cemetery. Given that the boundary cannot be confirmed, a recommendation for a Stage 3 burial investigation would need to be made. Would it be 10 metres from the current boundaries of the cemetery or 10 metres from the property boundaries?

- This would be appropriate around the area identified as containing burials (area outlined in blue line on the map in file Bethesda Markup) after the Stage 2 and any necessary archaeological assessment for sites found is completed. A CIA will be needed for the Stage 2 and Stage 3 as the boundaries are not clear.

For the section fronting Garner Road, there is a large slope downward from the cemetery to the roadway and has a height difference of 4 to 6 feet. There is also evidence of water infrastructure at the base. I've attached a photo for reference. Given the elevation difference and water infrastructure, would a Stage 3 burial investigation be required in this area? There would not be anywhere to dig safely and given the elevation difference, if the cemetery did extend further towards the road at one point, those burials would likely have been found and removed. Also, if we were to do a Stage 3 burial investigation on the slope, it would make erosion and collapse of the slope more likely and lead to potential impacts of the existing burials.

- It is agreed that the potential for burials within the road adjacent to the slope is low. However, the relationship between the road and this cemetery needs to be examined further to understand what needs to be done in terms of the assessment if the slope is ever encroached upon. How old is the cemetery and when was this road built? Has the road always been in the same location with respect to this slope? Has construction for the road ever encroached upon it?
- Please get back with the answers to the questions above and we can provide additional advice.

I have added [@Wallace, Melissa \(MCM\)](#) to assist with this discussion going forward.

Kind regards,
Rebecca

Rebecca Gray (she, her)

Archaeology Review Officer | Heritage Branch/Citizenship, Inclusion and Heritage Division
Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism | Ontario Public Service

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Taking pride in strengthening Ontario, its places and its people

From: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Sent: January 22, 2025 9:48 AM
To: Gray, Rebecca (She/Her) (MCM) <Rebecca.Gray@ontario.ca>
Cc: Wallace, Melissa (MCM) <Melissa.Wallace@ontario.ca>; Archaeology (MCM) <archaeology@ontario.ca>
Subject: RE: REVISED REPORT REQUIRED: P415-0320-2021:V1:Oct 24, 2024 / *

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Thanks Rebecca!

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Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2025 9:47 AM
To: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>
Cc: Wallace, Melissa (MCM) <Melissa.Wallace@ontario.ca>; Archaeology (MCM) <archaeology@ontario.ca>
Subject: FW: REVISED REPORT REQUIRED: P415-0320-2021:V1:Oct 24, 2024 / *

Good morning Patrick,

Apologies for the delay. I am currently working within the Unit to ensure you receive the correct guidance. I will get back to you by early next week at the latest.

Kind regards,
Rebecca

Rebecca Gray (she, her)

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Hi Rebecca,

Would you be able to respond to my questions below?

Thanks,
Patrick

From: Hoskins, Patrick

Sent: Monday, December 16, 2024 10:27 AM

To: Rebecca.Gray@ontario.ca

Cc: Archaeology (MTCS) (archaeology@ontario.ca) <archaeology@ontario.ca>

Subject: RE: REVISED REPORT REQUIRED: P415-0320-2021:V1:Oct 24, 2024 / *

Hi Rebecca,

I hope you're doing well. I have a few questions regarding one of the cemeteries located within this project. I was hoping to get some clarification prior to submitting the report to avoid further revision letters.

This is concerning the Bethesda United Church. The church owns a large parcel of land with the cemetery only taking up a portion of it. The plan that I received from the BAO suggests that the cemetery is located in only a small portion and that the remainder of the property was acquired at a later date. This suggests that the cemetery is contained to within the current boundaries. I was wondering if on the mapping I would mark out the boundaries for the property as a whole and then have a separate mark out for the cemetery itself. Would that be appropriate or do I need to mark the entire church property as being a part of the cemetery boundaries? I've marked up the attached PDF so you can see what I mean.

I've contacted the cemetery operator for this cemetery and she was unable to confirm the boundaries of the cemetery. Given that the boundary cannot be confirmed, a recommendations for a Stage 3 burial investigation would need to be made. Would it be 10 metres from the current boundaries of the cemetery or 10 metres from the property boundaries?

For the section fronting Garner Road, there is a large slope downward from the cemetery to the roadway and has a height difference of 4 to 6 feet. There is also evidence of water infrastructure at the base. I've attached a photo for reference. Given the elevation difference and water infrastructure, would a Stage 3 burial investigation be required in this area? There would not be anywhere to dig safely and given the elevation difference, if the cemetery did extend further towards the road at one point, those burials would likely have been found and removed. Also, if we were to do a Stage 3 burial investigation on the slope, it would make erosion and collapse of the slope more likely and lead to potential impacts of the existing burials.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
Patrick

From: pastport <pastport@ontario.ca>

Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2024 8:10 AM

To: Hoskins, Patrick <Patrick.Hoskins@stantec.com>

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Subject: REVISED REPORT REQUIRED: P415-0320-2021:V1:Oct 24, 2024 / *

Dear Patrick Hoskins,

The ministry has reviewed the Original report for PIF P415-0320-2021 submitted by you as a condition of your licence. Please refer to the attached letter to see the result of this review.

Please **do not** reply to this e-mail. The message will be undeliverable and we are unable to respond from this address.

If you have any questions about this report email us at: Archaeology@ontario.ca

Thank you,

Rebecca Gray

Rebecca.Gray@Ontario.ca

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May 23, 2025

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RE: Review and Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment: Garner Road Class EA Part of Lots 33 to 46, Concession 3 and 4, Geographic Township of Ancaster, former Wentworth County, now City of Hamilton, Ontario ", Dated Apr 9, 2025, Filed with MCM on Apr 30, 2025, MCM Project Information Form Number P415-0320-2021, MCM File Number 0015486

Dear Patrick Hoskins (P415):

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 0.18.¹ 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 Figure 7-1 to 8-4 of the above titled report and recommends the following:

The Stage 1 archaeological assessment, involving background research and a property inspection, resulted in the determination that portions of the study area retain potential for the identification and recovery of archaeological resources. In accordance with Section 1.3.1 and Section 7.7.4 of the MCM's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011a), Stage 2 archaeological assessment is required for any portion of the Project's anticipated construction which impacts an area of archaeological potential (Figure 7-1 to Figure 7-5).

The objective of the Stage 2 archaeological assessment will be to document any archaeological resources within the portions of the study area still retaining archaeological potential and to determine whether these archaeological resources require further assessment. The Stage 2 archaeological assessment will include the systematic walking of open ploughed fields as outlined in Section 2.1.1 of the MCM's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011a). The MCM's standards further require that all agricultural land, both active and inactive, be recently ploughed and sufficiently weathered to improve the visibility of archaeological resources. Ploughing must be deep enough to provide total topsoil exposure, but not deeper than previous ploughing, and must provide at least 80% ground

surface visibility.

For areas inaccessible for ploughing, the Stage 2 archaeological assessment will include test pit survey as outlined in Section 2.1.2 of the MCM's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011a). The MCM's standards require that each test pit be at least 30 centimetres in diameter, excavated to at least five centimetres into subsoil, and have soil screened through six-millimetre hardware cloth to facilitate the recovery of any cultural material that may be present. Prior to backfilling, each test pit will be examined for stratigraphy, cultural features, or evidence of fill.

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation have requested that the survey interval for pedestrian survey be reduced to one-metre for areas within 500 metres of Snyder Cemetery (AhHa-26) due to the sensitive nature and the lack of information of the site.

Should any additional areas of disturbance or features indicating that archaeological potential has been removed, including permanently wet areas and steep slopes, that were not previously identified during the Stage 1 property inspection be encountered during the Stage 2 archaeological assessment, they will be documented as outlined in Section 2.1 Standard 2 of the MCM's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011a).

The remaining parts of the study area have been demonstrated to be composed of areas that have been previously archaeologically assessed and require no further assessment, previously disturbed roadways and associated ROWs, modern developments, and areas of low and wet ground. These areas were identified as having low to no archaeological potential. In accordance with Section 1.3.2 and Section 7.7.4 of the MCM's 2011 Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (Government of Ontario 2011a), Stage 2 archaeological assessment is not required for any portion of the Project's anticipated construction which impacts an area of low to no archaeological potential (Figure 7).

4.1 SHAVER FAMILY CEMETERY

The Shaver Family Cemetery is in the study area (Figure 8-1). Based on the background research results, there remains potential for burials to extend beyond the mapped limits of the cemetery.

Therefore, any Stage 2–4 archaeological fieldwork adjacent to or within the cemetery will require a CIA issued by the BAO in accordance with the Registrar's Directive (2021). Furthermore, following any Stage 2 archaeological assessments, a Stage 3 cemetery investigation is required for any lands within 10 metres of the existing cemetery boundaries, with the exception of the one-metre trench previously assessed on the south side of the cemetery (ARA 2018).

If proposed development plans involve any area within the current boundaries of the cemetery, a Stage 2 archaeological assessment must be conducted, followed by a Stage 3 cemetery investigation if archaeological resources or burial features are identified. In such cases, the archaeologist must apply for and obtain a CIA from the BAO prior to any invasive fieldwork, as required under the FBCSA (Government of 2002).

4.2 BETHESDA UNITED CHURCH CEMETERY

The Bethesda United Church Cemetery is in the study area (figure 8-2). Based on the background research results, there remains potential for burials to extend beyond the mapped limits of the cemetery.

Therefore, any Stage 2–4 archaeological fieldwork adjacent to or within the cemetery will require a CIA issued by the BAO in accordance with the Registrar's Directive (2021). Furthermore, following any Stage 2 archaeological assessments, a Stage 3 cemetery investigation is required for any lands within 10 metres of the existing cemetery boundaries, up to the existing sidewalk on Garner Road.

If proposed development plans involve any area within the current boundaries of the cemetery, a Stage 2 archaeological assessment must be conducted, followed by a Stage 3 cemetery investigation if archaeological resources or burial features are identified. In such cases, the archaeologist must apply for and obtain a CIA from the BAO prior to any invasive fieldwork, as required under the FBCSA (Government of 2002).

4.3 RESURRECTION ROMAN CATHOLIC CEMETERY

The Resurrection Catholic Cemetery is in the study area (Figure 8-3). Based on the results of the background research, it is determined that there is a low potential for burials to extend beyond the current property boundaries of the cemetery. Therefore, any Stage 2–4 archaeological fieldwork adjacent to the cemetery does not require a CIA from the BAO, as outlined in the Registrar's Directive (2021).

However, should the proposed development plans involve any area within the property boundaries of the cemetery, a Stage 2 archaeological assessment is recommended, followed by a Stage 3 cemetery investigation. In such cases, the archaeologist must apply for and receive a CIA from the BAO before

conducting any invasive fieldwork, per the requirements of the FBCSA (Government of 2002).

4.4 WHITE BRICK CEMETERY

The White Brick Cemetery is in the study area (Figure 8-4). Based on the results of the background research, it is determined that there is a low potential for burials to extend beyond the current property boundaries of the cemetery. Therefore, any Stage 2–4 archaeological fieldwork adjacent to the cemetery does not require a CIA from the BAO, as outlined in the Registrar's Directive (2021).

However, should the proposed development plans involve any area within the property boundaries of the cemetery, a Stage 2 archaeological assessment is recommended, followed by a Stage 3 cemetery investigation. In such cases, the archaeologist must apply for and receive a CIA from the BAO before conducting any invasive fieldwork, per the requirements of the FBCSA (Government of 2002).

The MCM is asked to accept this report into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports.

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,

Rebecca Gray
Archaeology Review Officer

cc. Archaeology Licensing Officer
Megan Salvucci, City of Hamilton
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