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1.0 Study

Georgian Aggregates & Construction Inc. retained Unterman McPhail Associates to prepare a cultural heritage landscape assessment letter report for the Duntroon Quarry Expansion area. The purpose of the report is to determine the local heritage merit or interest of cultural heritage resources located within the study area.

2.0 Policy Considerations

The Province set out the following guidance in the Ontario Provincial Policy Statements (OPPS) (2005) under the Planning Act for cultural heritage as:

2.6 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology

2.6.1 Significant built heritage resources and significant cultural heritage landscapes shall be conserved.

2.6.3 Development and site alteration may be permitted on adjacent lands to protected heritage property where the proposed development and site alteration has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that the heritage attributes of the protected heritage property will be conserved.

Mitigative measures and/or alternative development approaches may be required in order to conserve the heritage attributes of the protected heritage property affected by the adjacent development or site alteration.

The OPPS defines cultural heritage landscape as:

a defined geographical area of heritage significance which has been modified by human activities. It involves a grouping(s) of individual heritage features such as structures, spaces, archaeological sites and natural elements, which together form, distinctive from that of its constituent elements or parts. Examples may include, but are not limited to, heritage conservation districts designated under the Ontario Heritage Act: and villages, parks, gardens, battlefields, mainstreets and neighbourhoods, cemeteries, railways and industrial complexes of cultural heritage value.

The OPPS defines built heritage resources as:

one or more significant buildings, structures, monuments, installations or remains associated with architectural, cultural, social, political, economic or military history and identified as being important to a community. These resources may be

identified through designation or heritage conservation easement under the Ontario Heritage Act, or listed by local, provincial or federal jurisdictions.

The OPPS defines significance as:

“g) in regard to cultural heritage and archaeology, resources that are valued for the important contribution they make to our understanding of the history of a place, an event, or a people.

3.0 Context

The proposed license area for the Duntroon Quarry Expansion is primarily agricultural in nature, both former and active use, and the lands are described as Escarpment Rural Area. Treed areas are present in the landscape.

Within the 120m Radius Off-site study area the lands include the existing Duntroon Quarry along Simcoe Road 91 as well as two rural roadscapes, namely, Osprey/Clearview Townline Grey Road 31 and Simcoe Road No. 91 and a former farm complex.

4.0 Study Area Review

Based on the field survey of the study area Unterman McPhail Associates identified five (5) cultural landscape features and two (2) built heritage features on-site and two (2) cultural landscapes and one (1) built heritage feature off-site. They are described below.

Proposed License Area

The five (5) on-site cultural heritage landscapes are the agricultural land; a farm complex known as the former Millar property located at No. 9828 Simcoe Road 91; a former farm complex located at No. 794533 Osprey/Clearview Townline; a small section of the Osprey/Clearview Townline rural roadscape north of Simcoe Road No. 91, which runs through the site north of Road 91; and, an inactive farm complex located at 794565 Osprey/Clearview Townline with a modern residence and outbuildings.

The Millar property at No. 9828 County Road 91 includes a modern farmhouse and a 19th century timber framed barn. The farm complex at No. 794533 Osprey/Clearview Townline includes a modern house and several metal clad outbuildings.

Off-site

The two (2) off-site cultural heritage landscapes include the Simcoe County Road 91 roadscape, which is an early settlement road, and the northern section of the Osprey/Clearview Townline roadscape.

The one (1) off-site built heritage features is a 19th century, frame residence located at No. 794528 Osprey/Clearview Townline.

5.0 Conclusion

Based on the topographical survey mapping prepared as background to the proposed Duntroon Quarry Expansion and our assessment, a number of cultural heritage resources have been identified both on-site and within the 120m off-site area. The noted on-site cultural heritage resources are over 40 years in age and are therefore, according to the Ministry of Culture Guideline for EA purposes, required to be identified.

On-site the late 19th century Millar barn at No. 9828 Simcoe County Road 91 is considered to be of local heritage merit and interest for its association with the land tenureship of the Millar family and its age of construction. Off-site the former farmhouse located at No. 794528 Osprey/Clearview Townline is considered to be of local heritage interest due to historical reasons.

The on-site and offsite cultural heritage landscapes and built heritage features are not considered significant and no mitigation is required. It is recommended the former Miller barn located at No. 9828 Simcoe Road 91 be documented photographically to meet the Ministry of Culture guidelines prior to removal and the documentation record be provided to the local archives or library