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RE: Review and Entry into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports: Archaeological Assessment Report Entitled, "STAGE 3 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT Finger Ridge Site (AeHh-150) George Street Land Parcel Port Stanley, Ontario, Parts 1-8 11R-1261 Former Township of Southwold, Now Municipality of Central Elgin, Elgin County, Ontario ", Dated Nov 30, 2016, Filed with MTCS Toronto Office on Apr 27, 2017, MTCS Project Information Form Number P457-0032-2016, MTCS File Number 0005401

Dear Mr. Meicenheimer:

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 Stage 3 assessment of one archaeological site located within the study area as depicted in Map 3 of the above titled report and Tile 1 of the Supplementary Documentation. The report recommends the following:

Based on the results of the Stage 3 site-specific assessment conducted at the Finger Ridge Site (AeHh-150), it is concluded that the cultural heritage value or interest of the site has been sufficiently assessed and documented, the site may be considered free of further archaeological concern, and Stage 4 mitigation of impacts is not required.

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,

Shari Prowse Archaeology Review Officer

cc. Archaeology Licensing Officer Julian Novick,Wastell Homes Susan Galloway,Elgin County, Land Division

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