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Mr. Paul Renaud Coalition to Protect the South March Highlands paul@renaud.ca

Dear Mr. Renaud:

Thank you for your email regarding archaeological assessments for the South March Highlands in Ottawa. I appreciate having the opportunity to respond to you.

As you may know, the Ministry of Tourism and Culture's role is to regulate archaeology by licensing archaeologists under the Ontario Heritage Act. The Ministry reviews archaeological assessment reports as a condition of licensing in accordance with Part VI of the act. As the assessment in question was completed under the current guidelines, the report meets provincial requirements as outlined in the Ministry's letter of June 1, 2004. I have enclosed a copy for your information.

Your concerns regarding when an archaeological assessment is required should be brought to the attention of the City of Ottawa, as the approval authority for this development.

I understand you have been in communication with Ministry staff regarding other proposed developments in the South March Highlands. If you should have further questions, please contact, Mr. Jim Sherratt, Archaeology Review Officer, Culture Programs Unit at, 416-314-7132, or by email at, jim.sherratt@ontario.ca.

Thank you again for your interest in this matter.

Yours truly,

Michael Chan Minister

Enclosure

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty, Premier of Ontario c:

Mr. Jim Sherratt, Archaeology Review Officer, Culture Programs Unit