



MUNICIPAL REGISTER OF CULTURAL HERITAGE PROPERTIES



(Hawk Lake Log Chute)



ABOUT THE HERITAGE REGISTER

Section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act requires the clerk of every local municipality to keep a current, publicly accessible register of properties of cultural heritage value or interest situated in the municipality.

The municipal register is the official list of cultural heritage properties that have been identified as being important to the community. The register will assist with the promotion of the community's cultural heritage and provides for easy access to information for planners, property owners, land developers and the general public.

The register includes all properties in the municipality that are **designated** under the Ontario Heritage Act and must include the legal description of the property, the name and address of the owner and a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of its heritage attributes.

The Ontario Heritage Act also allows municipalities to include on the municipal register properties of cultural heritage value **that have not been designated.**

In accordance with the section 27 (15) of the Act, in the case where a property has been included in the register on or after January 1, 2023, Council shall remove the property from the register if council does not give a notice of intention to designate the property under subsection 29 (1) on or before the second anniversary of the day the property was included in the register.

In accordance with section 27 (16) of the Act, in the case where a property was included in the register as of December 31, 2022, council shall remove the property from the register if council does not give a notice of intention to designate the property under subsection 29 (1) on or before January 1, 2025

The Register will be maintained by the Clerk of the Township of Algonquin Highlands and will be updated as further information may become available regarding currently listed properties and new properties recognized by Council (designated or non-designated) as having cultural heritage value or interest in the Township.

Township of Algonquin Highlands Heritage Register

*Notes a property Designated under the Ontario Heritage Act

	Name or Type of Building/Property	Municipal Address	Legal Description	Owner	Date Designated
#1	Hawk Lake Log Chute	1584 Big Hawk Lake Road	Pt Lot 16, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Stanhope	Township of Algonquin Highlands	Council Resolution dated June 20, 2013 (not Designated)

#1. Hawk Lake Log Chute	Address: 1584 Big Hawk Lake Road
Legal Description: Part Lot 16, Concession 11, geographic Township of Stanhope	Roll Number: n/a – Log Chute sits on Crown Land river bed
Current Owner: Township of Algonquin Highlands	Date Listed in Heritage Register: June 20, 2013 – Council Resolution (not designated)



HISTORY: A log chute is a man-made trough that was used to carry logs over rough river landscape to a sawmill. The log chute was developed in Canada in 1829 to circumnavigate the Chaudière Falls in Quebec.

In the late 1800s there were thousands of wooden chutes around the province and dozens in the county of Haliburton, but they're all gone now. There's been a log chute on this site since 1861 and this chute is now the only one of its kind in Ontario. That makes it important not only to the County of Haliburton, but also the province of Ontario.

The log chute was restored by nine men in nine days in the spring of 2005. The project received \$50,000 from joint Federal and Provincial funding and \$140,000 came from public donations of cash and in-kind services.

This historic site is a testament to the tenacity and perseverance of the tens of thousands of men who made their living in the logging industry, and whose courage helped forged the communities of rural Ontario