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Centre Wellington

May 2, 2014

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Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Sirs/Madams:

Please take notice that, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington intends to designate the property listed below as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 (Ch.O.18, Sec. 29), at your request.

Irvine Street (Watt) Bridge (9N), Elora, Ontario

Attached is a copy of the notice regarding the intent to designate.

Yours truly,

Kerri O'Kane
Clerk

Copy: L. Lonsdale, Secretary – Heritage Centre Wellington
R. Bossence, Chief Building Official

Encl.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1990 (Ch.O.18, Sec. 29)**

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington intends to designate the property known as the **Irvine Street (Watt) Bridge** which crosses the Irvine Creek on Irvine Street, north of Sideroad 15, in the Township of Centre Wellington (formerly in the Township of Nichol), as property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, (c.O.18, Sec. 29)

Cultural Heritage Value:

The cultural heritage value of the Irvine Street (Watt) Bridge lies in its design value, its historical value and its contextual value.

The property's design is significant because it is a representative example of one of few remaining one lane reinforced concrete bowstring bridges in the Township. The property has historical value because it yields information that contributes to an understanding of the development of the Township, particularly the rural area, and reflects the transition from horse-drawn vehicles to the new motorized age. The property has contextual value because it is one of a family of four bridges crossing the Irvine Creek within a relatively short distance and contributes to the character of the Grand River, a designated Canadian Heritage River. It is important in defining, maintaining and supporting the rural and agricultural character and history of this part of the Township and is a local landmark.

Heritage Attributes:

- Main span arches with 10 stringers in each
- Vertical posts
- Horizontal rails
- Mid-span arch cross-tie
- Original location of the bridge spanning the Irvine River
- Original dimensions of the bridge at 29.5 metres

For further information with respect to the proposed designation contact Mariana Iglesias, Planner, at (519) 846-9691, Ext. 289.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Township of Centre Wellington on or before the 2nd day of June, 2014.

Dated at the Township of Centre Wellington this 2nd day of May, 2014.



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