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PLANNING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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January 29, 2008

Re: **Alexander Shannon House**  
Part Lot 2, Concession Waupoos Island  
&  
**William Whattam House**  
Part Lot 6, Concession Waupoos Island  
Ward of North Marysburgh,  
Corporation of the County of Prince Edward,  
Roll# 13-50-701-010-09300-0000

In accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act, I am enclosing a "Notice of Intention" to designate the above noted property.

If you require further information, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ryan Leary".

Ryan Leary BES RPP,  
Senior Planner & PEHAC Staff Liaison

Encl.

Cc: Marc Seguin, PEHAC Chair  
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Re: **Augusta Wilcocks House**  
352 Main Street  
Part Lots 78 & 79, Plan 24  
Ward of Picton,  
Corporation of the County of Prince Edward,  
Roll# 13-50-030-035-09700-0000

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## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE



**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward intends to designate the properties, including lands and buildings, at the Municipal and Legal address noted below as properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, for the reasons stated below:

- **Augusta Wilcocks House – 352 Main Street, Pt. Lots 78 & 79, Plan 24, Ward 1, Picton**

There is evidence to suggest that there was a building on this lot as early as the 1850's, however, the present Queen Anne Revival style house dates to the late 1890's. An enormous Gingko tree (gingko biloba), thought to pre-date the house, is growing in the garden on the south side.

The house is a very fine example of the Queen Anne Revival style. It is a 2 storey frame building with a hipped roof with prominent architectural features. These features include a prominent 3 storey turret with a bell-shaped roof with decorative shingles. The protruding 2 storey central entrance is covered with a small decorative pediment. A triangular arched window above the entrance provides visual continuity between the entrance and the roof. Part of the original second-storey open balcony with its decorative top rail remains while the other part, between the entrance and the turret, has been enclosed.

The house and adjacent yard containing the large Gingko tree give the property further contextual value and together they form a prominent Picton landmark.

- **Alexander Shannon House – Pt. Lot 2, Waupoos Island, Ward 8, North Marysburgh**

Oral histories gathered from the Shannon family indicate that Alexander Shannon, his wife Martha Pierce, and their 4 children moved into this then empty stone house on lot 2 around 1836. The Chippewas ceded Waupoos Island to the crown in 1855, and Lot 2 was deeded to Alexander Shannon in 1856. There is some conjecture that parts of this house may date from the 18<sup>th</sup> Century and that it may be one of the oldest houses in Prince Edward County. However, more research is required in order to ascertain a more accurate history of the building.

The house is two-and-a-half storeys when viewed from the water side. The present porch with its four very tall but modestly sized pillars was constructed around 1918. The upper level facing the water is a 5 bay façade with the door in the centre flanked by side lites. The lower level is a 3 bay façade with the unornamented door set off-centre. The general form of the house indicates that it was probably constructed in the early 19<sup>th</sup> Century. In addition, it is the only stone house on Waupoos Island and therefore is unique. The house has historical value as it was the residence of an early family of Waupoos Island settlers and retains many of its original characteristics.

- **William Whattam House – Pt. Lot 6, Waupoos Island, Ward 8, North Marysburgh**

A house appears on this lot on both the 1863 Tremaine map and on the 1878 Belden map. The house is a 2 storey brick structure with a 3-bay front and a hipped roof. The general appearance of the house would suggest that it was built in latter half of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The cave brackets are similar to those found in County houses built in the 1860's and 1870's. The house has design value because it is a representative example of later 19<sup>th</sup> Century brick farm house. In addition, its neo-classical doorcase is unique in a house of this style.

The house has historical value as it was built by William Whattam, an early settler of Waupoos Island, and it retains many of its original characteristics.

**ANY PERSON** may, no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2008 send by registered mail or deliver to the Commissioner of Planning, a Notice of Objection to the proposed designation(s), together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and relevant facts. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the County of Prince Edward will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** relating to the proposed designation(s) is available for review at the Prince Edward County Planning Services Department at the address provided below.

Prepared and dated at the County of Prince Edward the 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008  
**Brian McComb, Commissioner of Planning**  
 Corporation of the County of Prince Edward  
 72 King Street, Picton ON K0K 2T0