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**Site Name: North Plantagenet, Ontario** 

**Principal Researcher(s): Tony Fuller** 

**Assistant Researcher(s):** 

### Field Log: Overview of North Plantagenet

Access to North Plantagenet is along the two lane hard surface "old" Highway # 17 which used to be the main connecting road between Ottawa and Montreal. Although it bears a designation as part of the Trans Canada System, that is primarily for its scenic properties offered by the Ottawa River. The superior, four line, #417, passes to the south and offers no good quality N/S connections to the study area. In other words, while some tourists travel occurs on this road, it is not a flow through transit route and traffic in and out of the area is purposeful to the area. This road, which cuts diagonally through the upper third of the township (NW/SE) is the only commuting route linking people to employment outside the township (in Ottawa or Hawksbury) and serves as a focus for local business as well. Local services for the area, such as medical centre, township offices, Children's Aid, are located within sight of the highway at the town of Plantegenet. Old #17 is also the link to services such as the closest hospital in Hawksbury and retail outlets in neighbouring Alfred Township and points more distant. Although we travelled this road several different times of the day there seemed to be no problems with traffic congestion or heavy trucking in the study area. Given the somewhat secondary nature of the road conditions, however, any large increase in commuting or business population would probably require investment to improve this amenity. Connection from the township itself to #17 is by two, hardtop secondary (N/S) roads, roughly on each side of the study area and two loose surface boundary roads. Cross roads connecting these are all loose surface except one (cty rd 2) connecting the agglomeration of Curran to cty rd. 19 which runs north to Wendover.

Data for this study have been collected to reflect the 1996 time line but it si important to note that North Plantagenet has now been amalgamated with Alfred Township since early 1997. It was the first such amalgamation under the Conservative Government policy. It is relevant to note that

during the census periods under consideration, the main towns, Plantagenet and Alfred, were separate units and are now part of the amalgamated township. This will seriously affect future development plans and service provision.

The study area is largely Franco Ontarion and this is a source of regional identity and pride to the citizens. They describe themselves as franco-ontarion and Canadian nationalists and wish to be clearly seen as different from the French of Quebec. While the census data records 70.8% french heritage for the county in 1991, estimates by the Economic Development Officer, Maurice Poulin, put it at 80% in the east of the county near Hawksbury and 60% in the west near Wendover. Schools are divided into French Catholic and English public on both the primary and secondary levels with the French being the most heavily represented.

Most people who deal with the public (town employees, medical centre staff, retail, waiting staff) possessed competence in both languages. However, French was the language of choice within businesses, offices and amongst the local population. The agricultural college in Alfred is proudly known as the only French language agricultural school outside Quebec. The language of instruction is French and materials in the library are largely french with a few magazines in English. The librarian at the college appeared to have not facility in English.

As demonstrated by the facts provided by Keddie, the township has had "impressive" population growth of 83% between '71 and '96. The visible indication is the number of modern rural housing units, unrelated to agriculture and often occurring in strip developments in poorer agricultural areas. According to the Deputy Clerk, S. Simard, development has not been through any concerted plan or design or promoted by subdivision developers etc. Each house represents a severance and an individual building project. M. Poulin reports that the agglomerations Curran and Wendover have older/retirement populations. Both Curran and Wendover contained a geographic focal point in their large and elegant Catholic churches. In each case, the church focus included a manse, a separate school and a Seniors' home bearing the name of the church. Each agglomeration also contained a signage for some visible home based business but all tended to be of the nature that would allow minimal investment and would rely on occasional local walk-in trade.

A younger population of newcomers are, according to Poulin, attracted to rural/commuting lifestyles. Data from Keddie reports 73% of the employed population of North Plantagenet works outside of the township and 4% of the population work in Ottawa. Personal observation did not reveal an apparent strong commuter pattern to the west. According to M. Poulin North Plantagenet would be at the farthest limit of Ottawa's commuter attraction.

Particularly notable by its absence is any significant retail trade. Within the main agglomerations of Wendover and Curran, home based businesses, such as hair salons and french fry stands and small depanneurs (variety stores) are present but there are no outlets for hardware, groceries or clothing in the entire N. Plantagenet Township (and only one pharmacy in the medical centre in Plantagenet). The closest outlet for these is Alfred, approximately 15 km from the centroid). Simard reported that an attempt to establish grocery facilities in Plantagenet were unsuccessful. People preferred their longer range buying patterns to Alfred and beyond to Hawksbury where Walmart and other consumer attractions were in close proximity.

# **Contact People:**

Maurice Poulin
Manger of Planning and Economic Development

L'Orignal, Ont. 613-675-1007

- -articulate, enthusiastic and very helpful
- would like to build closer ties with U. of Guelph
- -long time local resident

Pat Parent OMAFRA, Alfred College 613-679-4411 1-800 465-9974 -excellent contact

Sylvio Simard
Deputy Clerk
Corp. of the Twp of Alfred and Plantagenet
613-673-4812
previously Clerk for Pl/village
long time local resident
cooperative and helpful

Dominique Larche and Daniel Gigault Prescott-Russell Bus. Dev. Centre 613-632-0918 -more regional in their outlook -good for trends rather than Plantagenet specifics

#### **Additional Phone Numbers:**

to get a Plantagenet Region phone book. Magnetouch Media Mario M. Murray 613-824-8441

setting up a BIA/Chamber of Commerce Michel Lalonde, employee of Caisse Populaire in Alfred 613-679-2221

for into about agritourism and specialty agr. Susanne Lavoie, Alfred College 613-679-2432

central number for all social/community agencies in the County: INFOACTION 1 -800-267-0852

#### **Position of Centroid:**

What boundaries are meaningful for residents?

Distribution of population within CSD boundary: d. multi-centre -- Comments: Population for North Plantegenet was given exclusive of the Town of Plantegenet which was a separate political entity in the last census (it is now amalgamated). The total population of N.Pl. including the town of Plantagenet: 3185 + 950+ 4135 as of 1997.

Population is both dispersed and multi-centred as per "overview" comments. Curran and Wendover, with only 100/200 population, are the main foci. One side of one short street of Pendleton is officially part of the township. Treadwell, in the upper NE side, offers another small agglomeration with a church and playing field but no apparent businesses. There is a growing "community" of small houses and cottages at Lac St. George, again with no visible economic or cultural activity. There are several place names on the map that seem unrelated to any population cluster. These include: Jessup Falls, Rockdale, Glenburn, Senecal and Centrefield, for example, consisted of one farm home and a derelict one-room school house.

Meaning of CSD boundaries to local contacts: no

**Relevance of CSD boundary - for the community:** 

**Relevance of CSD boundary - for daily activities:** 

Relevance of CSD boundary - where people live:

**Relevance of CSD boundary - where people work:** 

Relevance of CSD boundary - other: Boundaries have, of course been confused in people's minds by amalgamation. However, orientation within the old N. P. twp, reflects connection to the Church based community, at least, for long standing residents. Recreation facilities, home league baseball teams, schools, etc. Add to the focal value as does the geographic "reality" of a name on a map. Diane Thauvette, clerk treasurer of the twp. office, resides outside but near Curran but firmly located herself as "coming from Curran". Newer commuting residents may have a different orientation.

#### 4.1 - SITE HISTORY

- Major events & stories: None were specifically mentioned. In depth interviews may produce more of this nature. See Bibliography of history (attached). There is a local historian and genealogist, Mr Vachon, in Hawksbury

#### **5.2.1 - SERVICES**

# **WATER**

- municipal water to everyone: yes
- municipal water to some:
- sewage collection and disposal: yes

# **GARBAGE COLLECTION yes**

- open garbage dump: yes
- sanitary landfill:

#### **SIDEWALKS**

- sidewalks throughout village/town: yes
- sidewalks in center of community only:
- cable TV: yes

#### **INTERNET ACCESS**

- to everyone willing to pay: no (party lines)
- free through community centre: yes (CAP)
- specific institutions/individuals: yes

# **LOCAL NEWSPAPER**

- daily:
- weekly: The Review
- monthly:

- newsletter (no regional or area news):
- national newspaper: Le Journal de Montréal / La Presse

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

- paid, full time professionals:
- volunteers: from Plantagenet
- approximate response time to centroid: 20 minutes

#### **POLICE**

- RCMP:
- provincial: OPP no longer in Plantagenet (see OMAFRA Community Profile)
- municipal:
- number of personnel:
- approximate response time to centroid:

#### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

- 911:no
- road ambulance service:yes
- approximate response time to centroid:
- air ambulance service: from Hawksbury
- approximate response time to centroid:

#### **ROADS**

(type and condition): Hwy. 17, 3/4 of the roads 1 and 2

# 6.1 - SOCIAL SERVICES / EDUCATION

Elementary school
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in each community separate schools/ 1 public Plantagenet
High school
- distance from centroid (km): one central on Hwy 17
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Alfred Agricultural College -language of instructional French
Technical school
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
University

- distance from centroid (km): 60 km

- distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Ottawa **Extension courses** - distance from centroid (km): - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Alfred Agricultural College-language of instruction: French Other institutions - distance from centroid (km): 5 km - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Adult Education Centre in Plantagenet

#### **6.2 - SOCIAL SERVICES / HEALTH**

# Hospital

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:

- wheelchair access:yes
- comments: in Hawksbury

# **Blood/urine testing facility**

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in medical centre in Plantagenet

# X-ray facility

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in medical centre in Plantagenet

# Baby delivery facility

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in Hawksbury

# CT scan facility

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in Hawksbury

# **Nursing home**

- distance from centroid (km):5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in Plantegenet and residences in Curran, Plantegenet, Wendover

# Doctor(s)

- distance from centroid (km):5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: 3 MD's and 9 consultants, in Medical Centre in Plantegenet

### Nurse(s)

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:

#### - comments: 1 health nurse in Plantegenet

# **Dentist(s)**

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: 4 dentists in dental clinic in Plantagenet

# **Dental Surgeon(s)**

- distance from centroid (km): 24 km and 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in Rockland, Hawksbury

# **Optometrist(s)**

- distance from centroid (km): 24 km and 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: in Rockland, Hawksbury

# Home care / visits

- distance from centroid (km):

distance from centroid in 1981 (km):	
- special transportation needs:	
- wheelchair access:	
- comments:	
VON	
- distance from centroid (km):	
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):	
- special transportation needs:	
- wheelchair access:	
- comments:	
Social worker(s)	
- distance from centroid (km):	
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):	
- special transportation needs:	
- wheelchair access:	
- comments:	
Other (specify)	
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km	
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):	
- special transportation needs:	
- wheelchair access:	
- comments: Children Aid Society in Plantegenet -see listing OMAFRA community serve	

#### 6.3 - SOCIAL SERVICES / LEGAL

# Lawyer

- distance from centroid (km): 24 km oor 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: to Rockland or Hawksbury

# **Notary**

- distance from centroid (km): 24 km or 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: to Rockland or Hawksbury

# Citizenship court

- distance from centroid (km): 60 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Ottawa

#### 6.4 - SOCIAL SERVICES / FINANCIAL 5 km

#### Bank

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Plantegenet- Royal Bank, Caisse Populaire in Wendover

#### **Credit Union**

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

# **ATM**

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: yes

# Micro-financing group

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):

- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Hawksbury Business Development Centre

#### **Insurance office**

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Plantagenet 3 employer

#### 6.5 - SOCIAL SERVICES / CARE

# **Daycare**

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: none in zone

#### Seniors / retirement home

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:

# - comments: 3 in Plantagenet, Wendover, and Curran - Centre for Community Living in Plantagenet

# 6.6 - SOCIAL SERVICES / GOVERNMENT

# E.I. office

- distance from centroid (km): 35 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: L'Original

#### Revenue Canada office

- distance from centroid (km): 60 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Ottawa

#### Auto insurance office

- distance from centroid (km): 24 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access: Rockland
- comments:

#### Welfare office

- distance from centroid (km): 35 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: L'Original

#### Town hall

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access: yes
- comments: Plantagenet

#### **Band council**

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

#### 6.7 - SOCIAL SERVICES / LOCAL

#### Food bank

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km

- distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Hawksbury Clothing exchange / depot - distance from centroid (km): n/a - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: **Secondhand stores** - distance from centroid (km): 15 km - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Alfred **Drop-in centre** - distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Hawksbury

# Halfway house

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Hawksbury

# **Counseling services**

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Children's Aid Society

#### **Family distress**

- distance from centroid (km): ?
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

#### Women's shelter

- distance from centroid (km): 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):

- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Hawksbury

### Alcohol / drug abuse

- distance from centroid (km): 60 km and 130 km 15 km and 40 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Ottawa/Montreal meetings in Alfred and Hawksbury

### 6.8 - SOCIAL SERVICES / PUBLIC TRANSPORT

#### Bus

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Greyhound

# Freight train

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:

- comments:
Passenger train
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Scheduled air service
- distance from centroid (km): 60 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Ottawa, Montreal, Mirabel
Small plane
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: gliding clubs 2 in area (Curran and Wendover)

# **Connecting flights**

- distance from centroid (km):

- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Helicopter
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Boat
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Regular ferry / taxi
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

On demand
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Car taxi
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Other (specify)
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Private commuter bus service
6.9 - SOCIAL SERVICES / FACILITIES

# **Curling**

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

# Municipal indoor pool

- distance from centroid (km): 15 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Alfred College

# Municipal outdoor pool

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Plantagenet

# Municipal indoor skating rink

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:

- comments:
Municipal outdoor skating rink
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Community playing field
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km, 10 km, 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Plantagenet, Curran, Wendover, Treadwell
Community gym
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Community centre

- distance from centroid (km): 5 km, 10 km, 5 km

- distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Plantagenet, Curran, Wendover, Treadwell **YM/YWCA** - distance from centroid (km): 40 km - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Hawksbury Municipal athletic club - distance from centroid (km): n/a - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Private athletic club - distance from centroid (km): n/a - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments:

Commercial athletic club
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Theatre
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Cinema
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:

# Museum

- comments:

- wheelchair access:

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):

- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
T 21
Library
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km, 10 km, 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:Plantegenet, Wendover, Curran - part time hours
Parks
- distance from centroid (km): 5 km
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: Plantagenet and at schools
Other (specify)
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

# Community organized teams (juniors / children) - distance from centroid (km): - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: yes, ex Baseball and now regional sports **Community organized teams (adults)** - distance from centroid (km): - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments: Municipal art programmes - distance from centroid (km): n/a - distance from centroid in 1981 (km): - special transportation needs: - wheelchair access: - comments:

# **Private art programmes**

- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:

- comments:  6.10 - SOCIAL SERVICES / VOLUNTEER & SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS  Religious groups
Religious groups
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments: primarily Roman Catholic
Rotary club
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Historical society
- distance from centroid (km): n/a
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

Other 1
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Other 2
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Other 3
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:

# Other 4

- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):

- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Other 5
- distance from centroid (km):
- distance from centroid in 1981 (km):
- special transportation needs:
- wheelchair access:
- comments:
Services named by citizens as unavailable:
Publicly funded programmes specific to community: There are 5 CAPS sites in Hawksbury and 8 overall in the county. There may be one site in Alfred in the future.
Accessibility Codes:
7.0 - ECONOMIC FORTUNES
List of businesses w/ number of employees: see small business directory
List of home-based businesses w/ activity: see small business directory
List of businesses that ship goods out of area:
Major suppliers and locations for each business:
Information from Chamber of Commerce: No Chamber of Commerce yet. For information on business contact name of one in process. See telephone numbers attached.
Degree of Optimism Perceived:

#### 8.0 - RESOURCE BASE & AMENITIES

Special environmental and/or resource features: -Ottawa river has potential for development

- -#2 type of agricultural land and scrub- but is developed
- -South Nation River cuts across the area with a few bridges and bad roads in the east
- -there is a cottage community located a Lac St George
- -Highway #17 cuts through the area near the river and there is development along it
- Larose Forest (a member of the Eastern Ontario Model Forest Program) is a large, productive feature, unique in that it is a managed forest for over 100 years (worth a forestry study since it is mature human made forest)

Negative features: - high salts in water-need deep wells for good water

-it is outside communtable area with present roads

Local strategies or projects engaged or planned: -bilingual component -basically "no"

#### 9.0 - DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL CHANGE

**Current population: see community profile attached** 

**Net migration (in/out/net):** 

**Current Number of Households:** 

**Average family Size:** 

**Age Structure:** 

Language: high French component

**Religion: Catholic dominant** 

**Literacy levels:** 

Social changes (population, characteristics, problems): - strip development is a problem: newcomers want the countryside but work in Ottawa spend outside too.

- -each community used to have a bakery, general store etc. under the Old Rural Economy no longer- total leakage to Ottawa, etc.
- small family farms gone, influx of German/Belgian/Swiss (huge farms) to the area
- -city newcomers complain of smells from the farms

# **EXTRA INFORMATION (when available)**

**End of Entry** 

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