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June 4, 2012

Terry French, MHA
Minister
Department of Environment and Conservation
P.O. Box 8700
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Dear Minister;

RE: Snows Pond/Ocean Pond Agriculture Forage Land-1592

Thank you for your response of March 20, 2012 concerning our interest in obtaining Crown Land to expand our forage production at our poultry farm on the Trans Canada Highway. In your letter it was explained because of concerns regarding possible contamination of a well you were not in a position to approve our proposal for site 2. (Sites 1 and 3 were previously approved)

Subsequently, I requested the Agrifoods Branch to investigate alternatives to address your concerns which resulted in a meeting with staff of your Department. As a result of this meeting, I was asked to comment on our proposal in respect the size of our farm and to provide a map. This map illustrates adjusted boundaries for the forage development, which increased the distance between the proposed forage fields and the well. In regards to our farm, the farm is permitted to house approximately 400 animal units. (poultry) It is generally understood, that environmentally sustainable agriculture is requires one acre of land per animal unit. Furthermore, it is the aim of the farm to expand through diversification of growing and selling a forage crop for which there is a market in the Region.

Mr. Minister, I would be delighted to meet with you to discuss any aspects of our farm development. We are proud in owning and operating a farm business to the highest of standards, including meeting environmental requirements. We are confident the plans stated in this letter and map will meet your approval.

Thank you for your careful consideration.

Yours Truly,

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Munn Poultry Farm Ltd

Munn Application Area

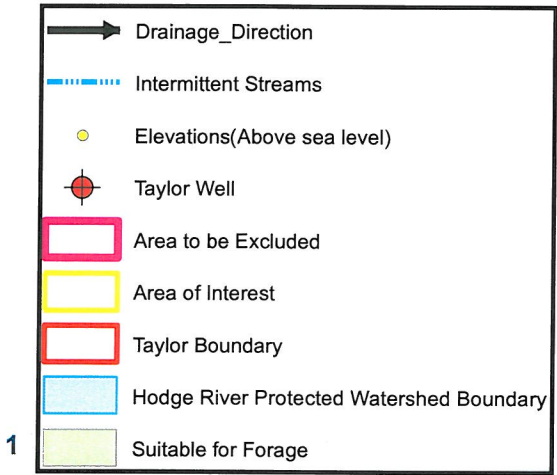
Map 2: Forage Suitability Areas

NTS Reference: 1N6

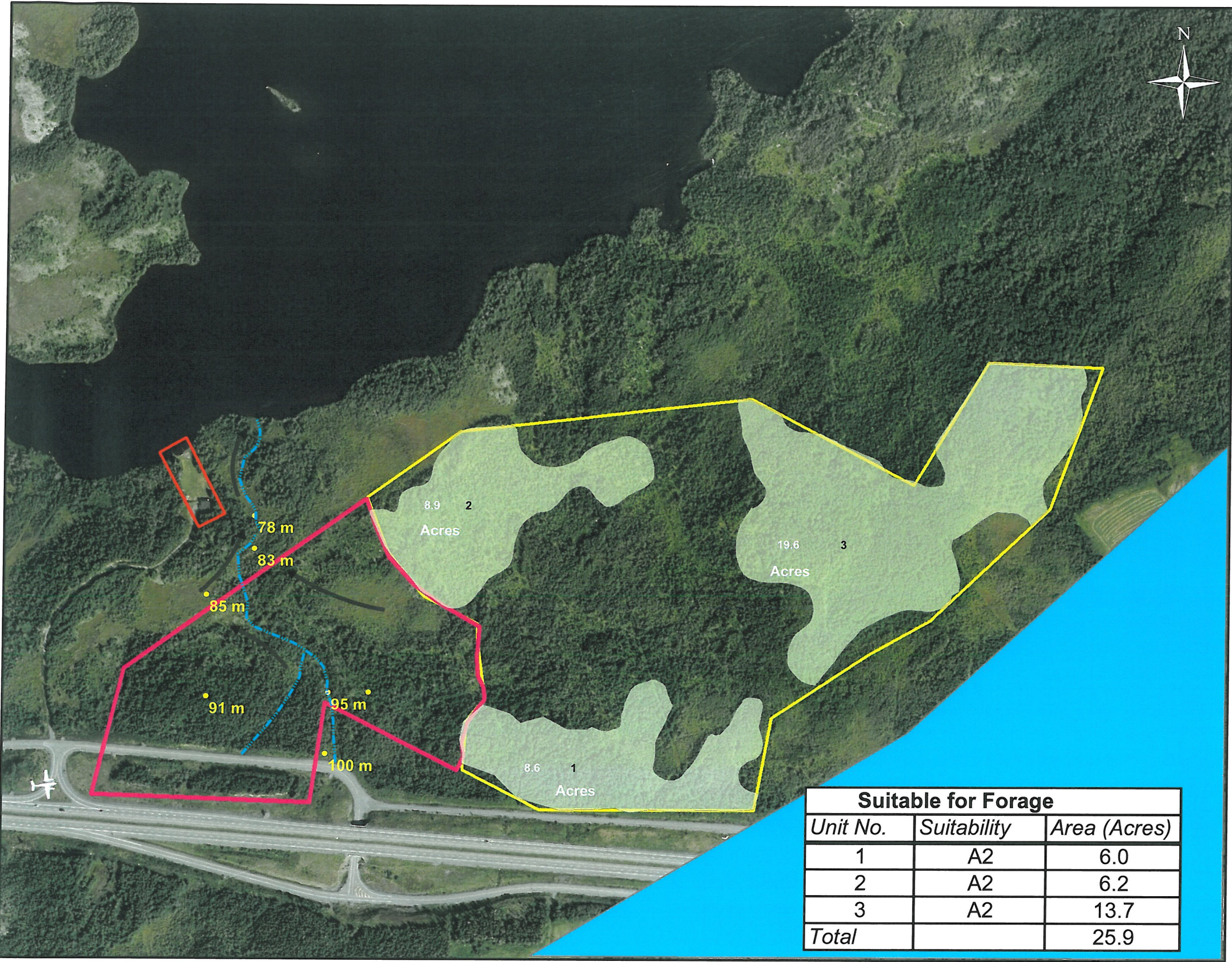
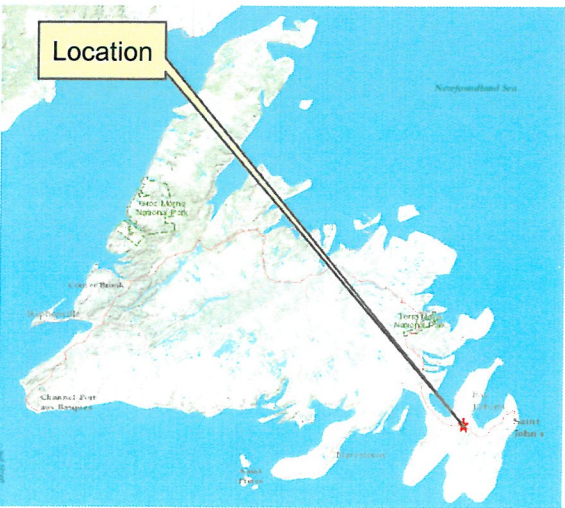
Aerial & Soil Interpretation completed by: Rick St. Croix, Soil Specialist

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Soils and Mapping Services
May 28,2012

North American 1983 Datum Zone 22N
Transverse Mercator



NOTE: 30% of polygons will be A3 due to steep side slopes, wet areas, low areas next to organics, and high boulder, stone, & cobble content in low lying areas. Estimated area suitable for forage is 10.5 Ha or 25.9 Ac.



Suitable for Forage		
Unit No.	Suitability	Area (Acres)
1	A2	6.0
2	A2	6.2
3	A2	13.7
Total		25.9

Disclaimer: The suitability ratings are based on soil and landscape characteristics. The number of hectares identified in any polygon could be reduced due to water buffers and steep slopes due to complex topography. The number of hectares identified do not consider the following: potential for and the kinds of roads; distance to markets; location, size of farms; land tenure; cultural patterns; skills or resources of individual operators; high heavy metal content in the soil; and hazard to crop damage by storms or other extremes in weather.