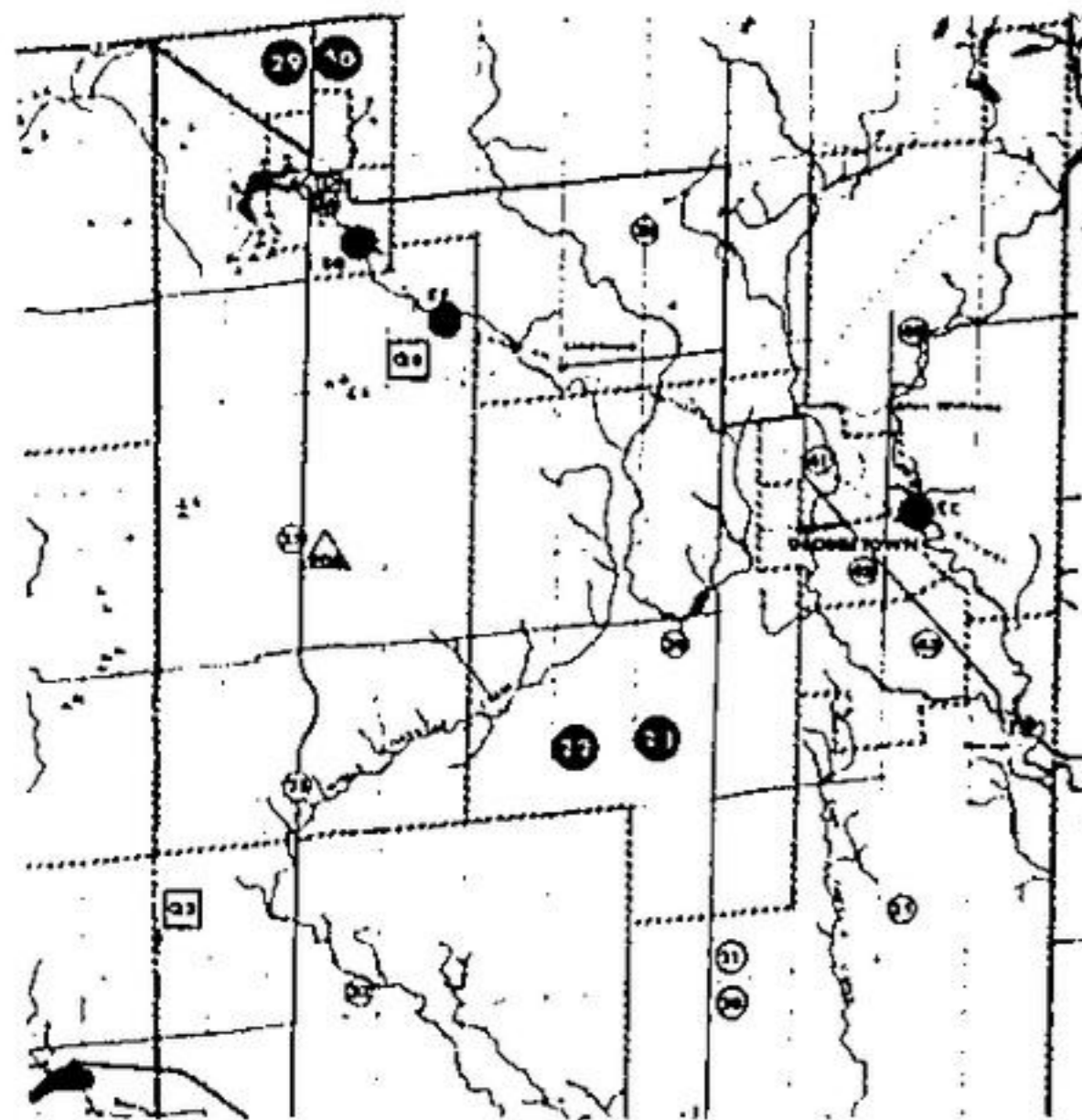


# Smaller creeks aren't shown on garbage study Raftis defends region on sewer, water issue



No. 22 is controversial site

A more central or southern site for a sanitary landfill project would have been preferable, according to Doug Sexsmith of James F. McLaren, the firm which prepared the study recommending siting a Halton landfill site north of 10 Sideroad and west of the Fifth Line in Esquesing, near Ashgrove.

Sexsmith noted there were no sites that his firm felt met all the criteria and were centrally located as well. He said the long haul distance from the lakeshore area—where the largest share of the region's garbage is generated—is a disadvantage.

Groundwater conditions, the availability of land and zoning were among the considerations that were ruled out, he indicated.

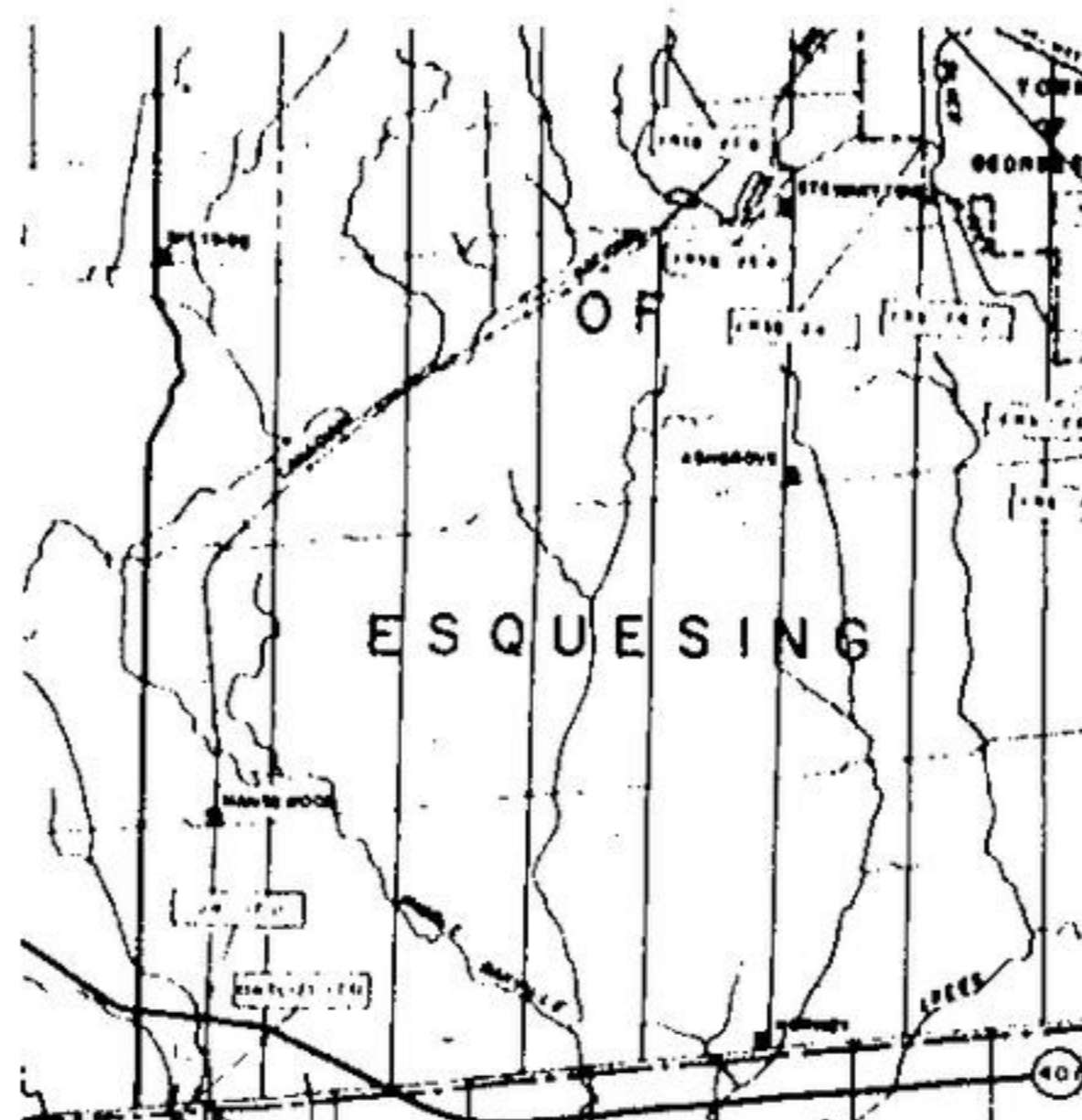
The report indicates 10 sites

In all could be suitable or made to serve the purpose. All of those sites were north of Five Highway some as far north as Acton.

Sexsmith responded to charges by Bill Johnson, who represents Ontario Garbage Coalition and claimed the map accompanying the study did not show all of the creeks near the site. He claimed a branch of the Oakville Creek comes much closer and noted that creek is shown on OWRC maps.

Replying to the charge, Sexsmith noted the creeks were there. "We are aware of this, we have walked the site and made careful examination of it. None of the smaller creeks are shown," he indicated.

Sexsmith noted no site would be perfect but balancing all of the other factors, the recommended site at Ashgrove was the best.



OWRC map shows more creeks

Halton Region's Public Works Chairman Jack Raftis claims the region and area municipalities would be making a retrogressive step if responsibility for water and sewers were transferred back to the area municipalities.

Raftis produced a written report in answer to heavy criticism his committee and the public works department have received in recent weeks. At the last council meeting several members indicated they felt that responsibility should be shifted to the area where the work could be properly supervised. Both Halton Hills and Milton Councils have endorsed that proposal.

In his report Raftis claims there are five keys to growth control of a municipality. Hard services (sewers and water) planning, transportation, police and financing are the keys. Raftis claims all are interdependent and to remove any one of them is to negate the concept of regional government.

By pooling credit and resources, projects that would be too expensive otherwise would now be available. Raftis claims he points out the decision to centralize local functions costs somewhere in excess of \$2,000,000 in Halton and to reverse that decision would add even more cost.

A decision to hand back the responsibilities would also require the areas to take over where they have no previous experience Raftis said.

Raftis said the change would result in personnel problems more severe than those problems presented as a result of regional govern-

ment. He noted one of the advantages of regional government was that services provide a degree of isolation from pressure groups or special interest groups but permits the system to respond to serious demands.

The larger operation justifies some maintenance couldn't be justified economically before. Because of the grant structure a reversal in responsibility for water and sewers would likely be to the financial detriment of the community, he said.

Committee member Bill Mason asked if there had been any backup material or reasoning for the request from Halton Hills to have the change effected.

Regional Chairman Allan Masson noted lack of service was offered as the main reason for the move.

Raftis claimed the reasoning was 100 per cent political. "We invited all councillors to this meeting to discuss a problem," Anderson, Watson, MacArthur... where are they? This happens all the time," he said.

Bill Mason, a supporter of the regional system, said he had tried to convince his colleagues on Oakville Council to have regional Public Works Director Bob Baile to a meeting where they could question him and perhaps have some of their concerns satisfied.

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AND THE band played on... During the Sunday band concert at the fair, Agricultural Society members found themselves trapped in the booth. A volunteer sawed the door till it would open beneath the newly-mounted steps. Bandmen played on, unaware of the drama below. Dave Sale is conducting.

## Fire prevention

### One week not enough

Next week, Oct. 6 to 12 is Fire Prevention Week in Halton but the Fire Prevention Committee of Halton Region Fire Service Association isn't satisfied with a seven-day fire prevention week celebration. "Every day should be fire prevention day," says chairman Jim Coulson.

Coulson, a lieutenant with the Milton Fire Department, said fire prevention should be a year-round chore for every man, woman and child in the Region of Halton—not just a once-a-year observance. But the Association will be observing Fire Prevention Week just the same, as the firefighters want to use every opportunity available to get the message of fire safety across to the people.

Poster contest  
The group's major project for the special week is the annual poster contest for grade 5 students. All students of grade 5 age in Halton have a chance to win the Halwell Insurance trophies, awarded

each year to the top boy or girl in the Halton contest, or one of four honorable mention prizes. Winning entries go on to an all-Ontario competition. The poster theme is "Fire Prevention in the Home." Entry forms are available at local fire halls and the deadline for filing completed posters is Oct. 15.

Each fire department in Halton—Oakville, Burlington, Milton and Halton Hills (Acton and Georgetown)—will be conducting its own fire prevention week programs, to help the Halton Association. Fire hall open houses, lectures, film shows, school fire drills, distribution of literature and other special programs are planned.

"We usually make an all-out effort at public education during Fire Prevention Week," said Lt. Coulson, "but fire prevention is still a 365-days-a-year job and our Association won't be relaxing its efforts when the special week ends—we hope the people won't either."

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## Says onus on teachers not on youngsters

Halton Renaissance Committee feels the teachers and not the students in Halton's school system should be responsible for deciding whether material being presented in classrooms is offensive to the students' conscience.

The approach now in use, where teachers tell students they may feel free to leave the class if anything offensive to their conscience is presented, was called "a cop-out" by Renaissance chairman Ken Campbell of Milton in a letter to the Halton Board of Education, its trustees, principals, and members of parliament this week.

Text of Campbell's letter to board chairman William Priestner follows:

Dear Mr. Priestner:

Further to the first recommendation in Section IV of our brief, (concerning pluralism), may we call your attention to a disturbing policy which seems to be prevalent, or at least which apparently has become generally accepted without contradiction in Halton schools.

I refer particularly to reports that students are informed by their teachers at the beginning of the school year that they may feel free to leave the classroom if they find that there is something offensive to their consciences about the material that is being presented at any point in the course. This is apparently the approach being taken by teachers especially in courses relating to human sexuality.

We reject this policy as a cop-out which shifts the onus for propriety from the teacher where it belongs, to the vulnerable youngsters in the classroom. Parents have every right to expect teachers to be sensitive to what would be offensive about the material they present in the class in view of the values parents are seeking to inculcate in their children at home. The Ontario Educational Act affirms this principle: "It is the duty of a teacher... to inculcate by precept and example respect for religion and the principles of Judaeo-Christian morality etc."

We suggest, with respect, that if the teacher presents

material in the classroom, contrary to "the principles of Judaeo-Christian morality" and hence offensive to the consciences of children and parents who are committed to such values, it is in fact the teacher's responsibility to apologize to those who are thus offended. Further, if the teacher persists in such offensive manners, it ought to be the teacher and not the student who is required to leave the classroom. Such a teacher is obviously incompetent to handle such a subject.

We thank you for your consideration of this extremely sensitive and crucial matter of grave parental concern.

## Firefighters battle

Acton's volunteer firefighters have been fighting more than fires lately. They have been busy battling the war with muscular dystrophy via a door-to-door canvass for funds.

The campaign has brought in \$1,700 since its commencement on September 16, when the ambitious men donned their uniforms and knocked on the doors of Acton. Donations will be accepted until the end of this year, and it is hoped that the people who haven't donated, will realize the importance of this campaign.

The money raised across Canada goes towards research to find a cure for the disease, and also to buy

wheelchairs and bedroom apparatus to help the invalid.

Most of the firefighters across Canada have their own fund raising campaigns. Acton has the highest per capita across the entire country for donations. Muscular Dystrophy is the deterioration of the muscles of the body. There is no known cure.

## Busy time

Milton OPP reported another busy week during the past seven days, when 155 occurrences were reported. These included 29 traffic collisions including 10 personal injury accidents.

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS authoritative statistics compiled by the Halton Hills Fire Chiefs show that during the past six years, one thousand fires in Halton Hills have taken lives, seriously injured other persons and destroyed property valued at 750,000.00 dollars.

AND WHEREAS such losses are still increasing year by year;

AND WHEREAS humanitarian and economic considerations imperatively demand that improved fire prevention measures be undertaken to prevent this economic waste and tragic loss of life in order that the town's prosperity may be maintained;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the attention of the public be directed to the extent and underlying causes of the preventable loss of life and property by fire and to the best and most practicable means for its control and that a specific period of the year be set apart and properly designated for the dissemination of such information;

NOW THEREFORE, by and with the advice of the Council for Halton Hills, we proclaim the month commencing Tuesday, The First of October, and Ending on Thursday, the Thirty-First of October, in the present year as

### "FIRE PREVENTION MONTH"

and we recommend to all our Citizens that at some time during that month as may be found most practicable:

1. All buildings be carefully inspected by their occupants and all conditions likely to cause or promote the spread of fire be removed.
2. All buildings of assembly be inspected by their operators, boards or commissions, and provision made for all changes necessary to protect the occupants in case of fire.

Mayor T. Hill,  
Halton Hills

## Accidents

On Friday, September 27, at 8:50 p.m. on the 9th Line, north of 27 Sideroad a 1974 Gremlin driven by Michael Rotz, R.R. 2, Acton, struck a tree causing over \$300 damage to his vehicle. Mr. Rotz escaped without injury.

On Friday, September 27, at 12:05 a.m. on Hwy 25, 0.2 miles north of the town line a 1966 Volks driven by Edna Willis, R.R.4, Acton, went into the east ditch to avoid a collision with an unknown vehicle which was south-bound. Willis received minor injuries and there was over \$500 damage to her vehicle, according to police.

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