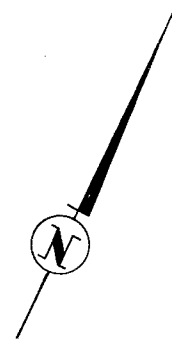


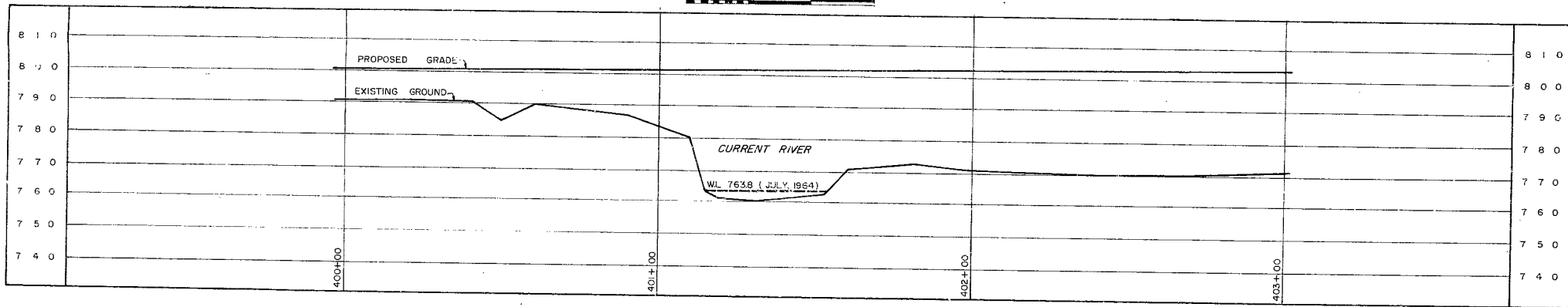
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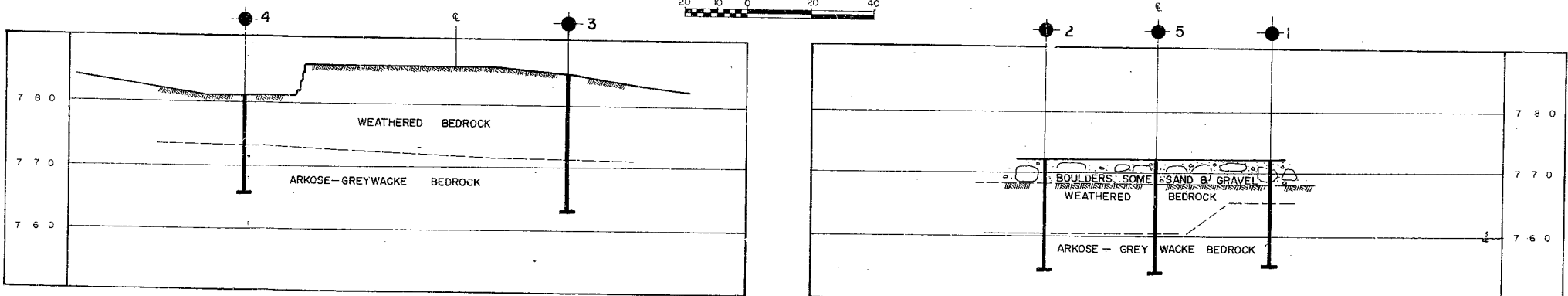
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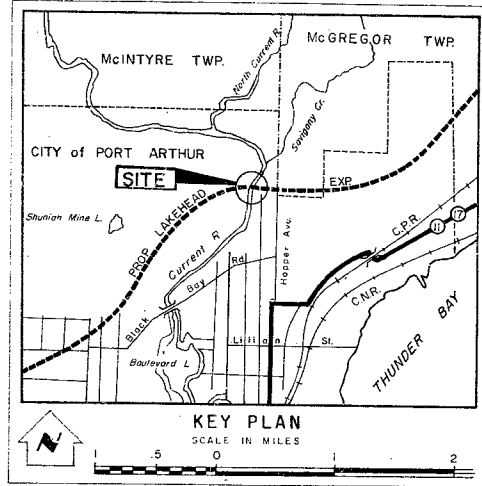


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Attention: Mr. C. Grebski

April 9, 1965

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M. Stermac
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cc: Foundations Office ✓
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS ONTARIO

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Supervising Functional Engineer,
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Downsview, Ontario.

FROM: F. DeVisser,
Regional Bridge Location Engineer,
208 Simpson Street,
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DATE: July 16, 1965.

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L. E. W. Hwy. 17, District 19.

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If you have any comments, please let us know.



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Soil Mechanics Section,
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August 1st, 1974.

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Contract 67-56, District 19, Thunder Bay.

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Mr. W.L. Lees - RE: Contract 67-56.

We also note that bedrock was encountered during construction of the footings for the existing culvert. A soil investigation should be done to ensure that bedrock will not be encountered during tunnelling.

We trust that the above will be of some assistance. Please contact this Office if we can be of any further help.

W. Greskow,
For:
R.G. Selby,
Supervising Engineer.

WG/mj
c.c. R.W. Franks
B. McKenna
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