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FURTHER DESIGNATIONS UNDER PITS  
AND QUARRIES CONTROL ACT

One hundred-and-fifty-eight more townships will come under The Pits and Quarries Control Act effective January 1, 1981, Natural Resources Minister James Auld announced today.

Mr. Auld also explained that the amount of rehabilitation security paid to the Treasurer of Ontario by licensed pit and quarry operators will increase from two cents per ton to eight cents per metric tonne on the same date.

The metric tonne is used for weighing coal, minerals, fertilizers, cereals, and most products that come in large and bulky amounts. One metric tonne equals 1.1023 short tons.

"The operators are reimbursed after rehabilitation and we hope this increase will be an incentive to complete rehabilitation of their sites in a shorter period of time," he said.

The Pits and Quarries Control Act presently applies to 278 townships and 1,600 properties covering the Niagara Escarpment corridor and areas around Toronto, Ottawa, London, Kingston, Windsor, Kitchener, Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie.

"More than 100 million tons of aggregate is produced in this area annually, and although the area covered is relatively small the bulk of Ontario's aggregate production comes under the Act," Mr. Auld added.

The 1971 act regulates the operations and rehabilitation of sand and gravel pits and stone quarries in the province.

The Pits and Quarries Control Act may be replaced by the proposed Bill 127 - The Aggregates Act.

The Minister said that after the Second Reading of Bill 127 by the Ontario Legislature on December 18, 1979, the bill was referred to the Standing Resources Development Committee so submissions from interested groups, organizations and individuals could be heard.

"Several groups recommended that more geographic areas should be covered by the Act," the Minister said.

Mr. Auld explained that the purposes of The Aggregates Act are as follows:

- To provide for the management of the aggregate and Crown aggregate resources of Ontario.

- To control and regulate pits and quarries, wayside pits and quarries and Crown aggregate pits and quarries.

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- To require the rehabilitation of land from which aggregate or Crown aggregate has been excavated and

- To preserve the character of the environment in respect of the operation of pits and quarries, wayside pits and quarries and Crown aggregate pits and quarries.

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EDITORS: NEW TOWNSHIP LIST ATTACHED.

New Townships Under  
The Pits And Quarries Control Act

Brockville District

Augusta	Oxford
Bastard	Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne
Edwardsburgh	Rear of Yonge and Escott
Elizabethtown	South Burgess
Front of Escott	South Crosby
Front of Leeds and Lansdowne	South Elmsley
Front of Yonge	South Gower
Kitley	Wolford
North Crosby	

Cornwall District

Alfred	Lochiel
Caledonia	Longueuil
Cambridge	Matilda
Charlottenburgh	Mountain
Clarence	North Plantagenet
Cornwall	Osnabruck
East Hawkesbury	Roxborough
Finch	Russell
Kenyon	South Plantagenet
Lancaster	West Hawkesbury
	Williamsburgh
	Winchester

Lanark District

Bathurst	Montague
Beckwith	North Burgess
Dalhousie	North Elmsley
Darling	North Sherbrooke
Drummond	Pakenham
Lanark	Ramsay
Lavant	South Sherbrooke

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Napanee District

Adolphustown  
Ameliasburgh  
Amherst Is.  
Athol  
Bedford  
Camden East  
Ernestown  
Hillier  
Howe Is.  
Loughborough

North Fredericksburgh  
North Marysburgh  
Portland  
Richmond  
Sophiasburgh  
South Fredericksburgh  
South Marysburgh  
Storrington  
Wolfe Is.

Tweed District

Abinger  
Anglesea  
Ashby  
Barrie  
Clarendon  
Denbigh  
Effingham  
Elzevir  
Grimsthorpe  
Hinchinbrooke  
Hungerford  
Huntingdon  
Kaladar

Kennebec  
Lake  
Madoc  
Marmora  
Miller  
North Canonto  
Olden  
Oso  
Palmerston  
Sheffield  
South Canonto  
Tudor

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Aylmer District

Adelaide  
Aldborough  
Caradoc  
Dunwich  
East Williams

Ekfrid  
McGillivray  
Metcalf  
Mosa  
Southwold  
West Williams

Chatham District

Brooke  
Dawn  
Enniskillen  
Euphemia

Moore  
Plympton  
Sarnia  
Sombra  
Warwick

Owen Sound District

Bentinck  
Brant  
Bruce  
Egremont

Elderslie  
Greenock  
Kincardine  
Normanby  
Saugeen

Wingham District

Ashfield  
Carrick  
Colborne  
Culross  
Downie  
East Wawanosh  
Ellice  
Elma  
Fullarton  
Goderich  
Grey  
Hay  
Hibbert  
Howich

Hullett  
Huron  
Kinloss  
Logan  
McKillop  
Mornington  
Morris  
North Easthope  
South Easthope  
Stanley  
Stephen  
Tuckersmith  
Usborne  
Wallace  
Turnberry  
West Wawanosh