

# Timmins: Establishing a Framework for Conservation

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## Context: Land Acknowledgement

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The City of Timmins is located on Treaty 9 Territory, which are the traditional lands of the Mattagami First Nation.

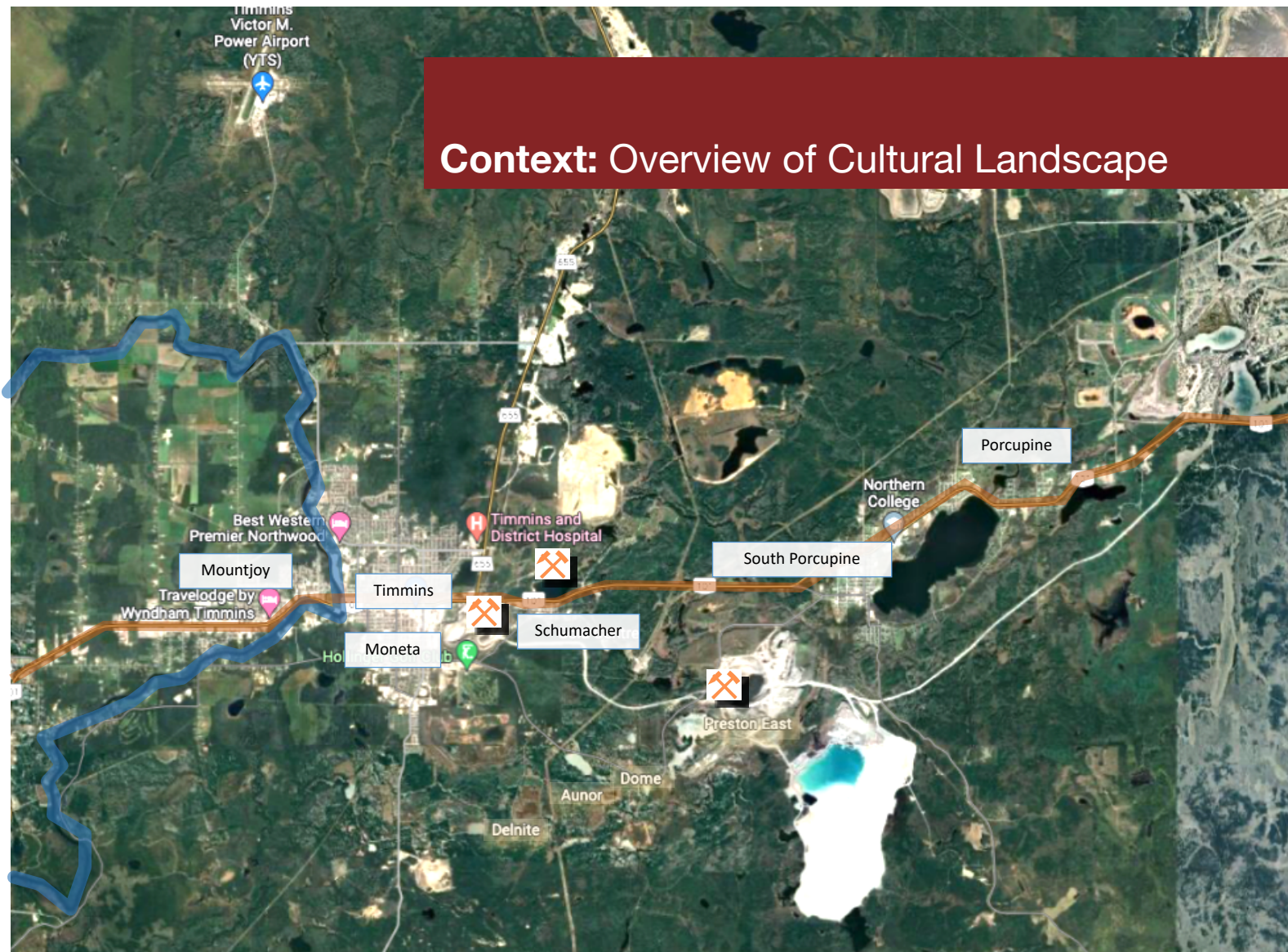
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## Context: Overview of Cultural Landscape



Base Image from Google Maps (June 2022)

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Clockwise from top left: (1). McIntyre Community Building (2). St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church (3). City Hall facing onto Indigenous Mural Teaching Project (4). Hollinger Headframe with ore-storage bin on left and hoist house on right.

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## Promoting / a Culture of Conservation



**Cameron Grant, esq.** @camerongrant · Jul 1

Great way to start Canada Day! @MaijaHoggett and I completed the @TimminsMNEC Municipal Heritage Committee's scavenger hunt!! Naturally, we stopped for a celebratory beer! #TimminsHeritage



## Establishing / the Municipal Heritage Register



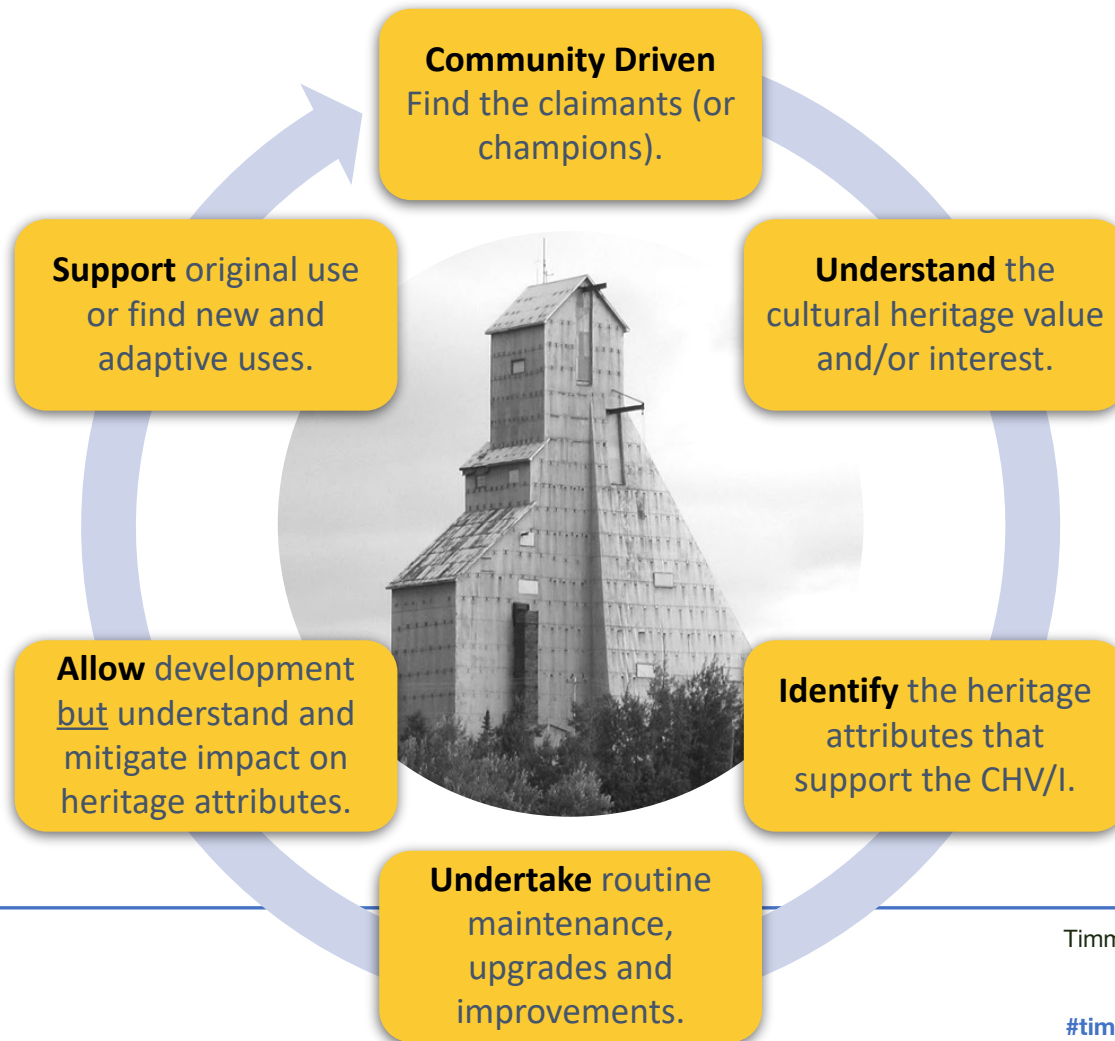
Clockwise from top left: (1). City Hall (2). Log Home on Wilson (3). Old Post Office / Library – City Engineering Building (4). Hollinger Ore-Storage Bin (5). McIntyre Headframe (6). McIntyre Community Building (7). Old Train Station – Timmins Transit (8). Timmins Seniors Recreation Centre

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## Next Steps: Finding a Sustainable Approach





“ . . . If you read a newspaper, wear gold jewellery, appreciate Canadian figure-skating or hockey, have heard (or heard of) Shania Twain, live in a planned community, or have occasion to bewail the policies of the Bank of Canada your life has been affected by this region . . .

“ . . . What kind of place could give rise to such variety of stories? What kind of community sustained both the economic and the personal dimensions necessary for these outcomes? **Clearly, Canadians ought to be better acquainted with this piece of our inheritance**”

Kerry Abel, from preface to “Changing Places”

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People fly to Dawson City to experience Canada’s mining history, but all they need to do is drive up Highway 11 to Timmins”

**Michael Seaman**

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