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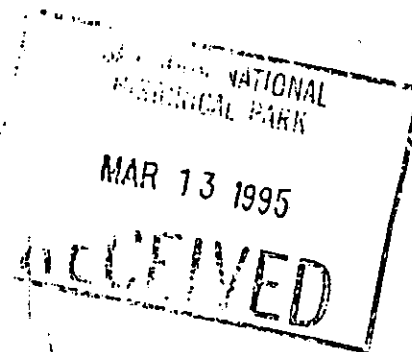
Mr. Doug Lindsay
Superintendent
Saratoga National Historical Park
National Park Service
648 Route 32
Stillwater, NY 12170

Re: Soil Sampling Results
Price Farm Dump Site
Saratoga County

Dear Mr. Lindsay:

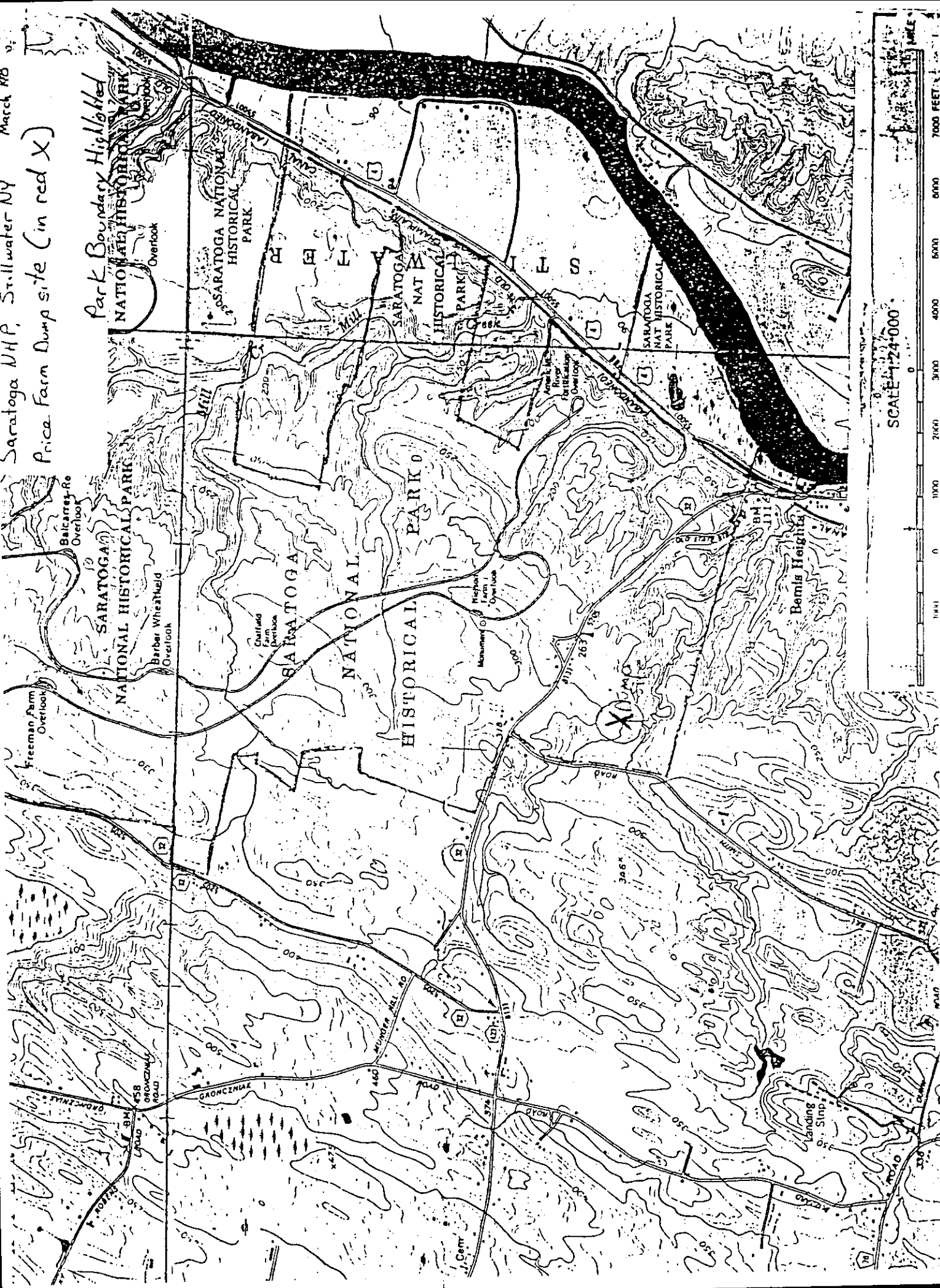
We have received the above-mentioned sampling results dated March 3, 1995, and offer the following comments:

- ▶ A map showing the location of the site and the surrounding area (ie. locations of nearby residences, surface water bodies, drinking water wells, etc.) should have been included with the sample results. Also, a map indicating the sample locations at the site should have been included in the submittal.
- ▶ The results show minimal contamination with tetrachloroethylene, freon, methylene chloride, chloroform, and mercury. Since these contaminants are likely from household waste (first paragraph of your 3/3/95 letter), they are not considered hazardous wastes, and therefore, do not require further action.
- ▶ Arsenic was found at elevated levels in every sample taken at the site (from 3.4-15 ppm), but only two of the 15 samples taken show arsenic above NYSDEC soil cleanup guidelines (TAGM#4046). Normally, in order to determine whether heavy metals contamination constitutes hazardous waste, TCLP would be run on these samples. However, since the levels of total arsenic are so low, and only two samples are elevated, a consequential amount of hazardous waste is not present at the site. Therefore, no further action would be required.



Price Farm Dump site (in red X)

Park Boundary Highlighted



SCALE 1:24,000

1,000 FEET: $\frac{1}{2}$ in. = 1 ft.



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RE: Price Farm Sump (546832N)
(Tract 01-136)
(T) Stillwater, Saratoga County

Dear Mr. Lindsay:

I appreciate your response to my request for information on the Price Farm Dump. I have reviewed the documents you sent me, namely the draft Preliminary Assessment (PA) (May 1994) and soil sampling results (December 1994). I have also visited the site to review current site conditions. Based on these documents and current site conditions, I concur with the determination that there are no apparent significant public health issues associated with the site. I agree with the recommendation presented in the PA that chemical analysis be performed on samples from park service wells since the precise nature of materials disposed on-site is not known. I would also recommend collection of surface water sample(s) from the Devils Hollow Creek to clarify the PA's conclusion that there are indications of contaminant release to surface water.

If you require further assistance please call me at (518) 458-6306. Your NYSDEC contact can also provide guidance in this matter. I would appreciate being informed of any future activities at this site.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mr. G. Litwin/FILE
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