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## **APGO EDUCATION FOUNDATION AWARDS GRANT OF \$4,166 TO METCALFE GEOHERITAGE PARK COMMITTEE, ALMONTE, ONTARIO**

**September 19, 2016, Toronto, Ontario:** The **APGO Education Foundation** (“the **Foundation**”) is pleased to announce that it has awarded a grant of \$4,166 to the Metcalfe Geoheritage Park Committee to develop a QR code system of signage that will enable visitors with mobile devices to connect digitally with a wealth of geo-information about the site and the specimens on display. The Metcalfe Geoheritage Park, Canada’s first municipal Geoheritage Park, is located on the Mississippi River in the town of Almonte in eastern Ontario. The content accessible through the QR codes will include:

- Specimen descriptions with “look fors” that will help visitors see the features that allow geoscientists to unravel Earth’s remarkable history;
- Photos that highlight specific geological features; and
- Explanations of the unique environments and geological processes that created each rock.

Dr. Bill Pearson, P.Geo., Chair of the Foundation, commented: “We are delighted to support the Metcalfe Geoheritage Park Committee on this exciting project which will help further our mission to enhance public knowledge of geoscience. We believe that the innovative approach proposed by the Committee can become a prototype for use at other similar geoheritage parks in Ontario to make high quality, locally based, geoscience information more readily accessible to the public.”

For further information on the Metcalfe Geoheritage Park see:

<http://millstonenews.com/2016/05/metcalfe-geoheritage-park-nears-completion.html>

### **ABOUT THE APGO EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

The APGO Education Foundation (“Ed Fdn”) is a registered charitable organization under the Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act, registration number 84604 5052 RR0001. The purpose of the charity is to advance the education of the public in the area of geoscience by 1) providing scholarships to post-secondary students for the study of geoscience in a degree program; 2) providing bursaries to immigrants to Canada who are internationally-trained geoscientists and have demonstrated financial need for completion of licensure procedures for registration as a professional geoscientist in Ontario; and 3) holding lectures, presentations and conferences on geoscience to enhance the knowledge of the general public.

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