



# COUNTY of WELLINGTON

## Media Release

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### **Wellington Place/Groves Memorial Site Servicing Ground Breaking**

**ABOYNE-** The County of Wellington and Groves Memorial Community Hospital (GMCH) held a ground breaking ceremony today to celebrate the beginning of road construction that will help to service the new hospital, and the adjacent County lands. Site servicing for the project will begin immediately.

"This joint venture is very exciting," said Wellington County Warden Chris White. "Both parties bring experience and synergy into this new partnership. The future Groves Hospital will be able to deliver a modernized facility in a centralized location, which will help provide the best possible care for residents in the Centre Wellington area."

"The new roads will help prepare the site for future hospital development," states Gord Feniak, Chair of the New Groves Hospital Building Committee. "Groves Hospital is grateful to the County of Wellington and Township of Centre Wellington to help move plans forward in a timely manner."

The new roads will link Beatty Line to the road running along Wellington Terrace. Detailed information about plans for the site can be found at: [www.wellington.ca/en/business/WellingtonPlaceConceptPlan.asp](http://www.wellington.ca/en/business/WellingtonPlaceConceptPlan.asp)

In 2008, the County and GMCH finalized an agreement for the acquisition of an 105 acre parcel of land adjacent to County owned lands where the Wellington County Museum and Archives, Wellington Terrace, Centre Wellington OPP Operations Centre and the Aboyne library branch are located. The County and Groves worked with the Township of Centre Wellington and Emergency Service providers to determine the most appropriate location for the hospital on the site.

GMCH is a highly respected, rural, acute-care facility providing a wide range of services. A strong sense of community is part of the unique quality of service provided by hospital staff.

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