



NPGS Niagara Peninsula Geological Society Field Trip Ridgemount & Ridgemount "South" Quarries maps



Ridgemount Quarries

Entrance & Gatehouse

- 1) meet in small parking lot at gatehouse
- 2) sign the NPGS SISO (sign-in/sign-out) sheet
- 3) enter the gatehouse (politely & friendly, please) & sign the Walker Brothers document
- 4) we will then drive to the Ridgemount Quarry collecting site.
- 5) For Ridgemount "South" quarry, we'll be driving down (south) on Ridgemount Rd.

This is the working RIDGEMOUNT quarry - very busy with humongous trucks & ginormous front loaders. Please do not "engage" any of the equipment. You and your car will lose! Safety first, please. The newly required flashing amber lights will help to ensure your safety and that you can be more easily seen.

Unknown where we'll be collecting in 2019. At Ridgemount Quarry, you'll find Bertie Formation [late Silurian] and Bois Blanc [Early Devonian] fossils.

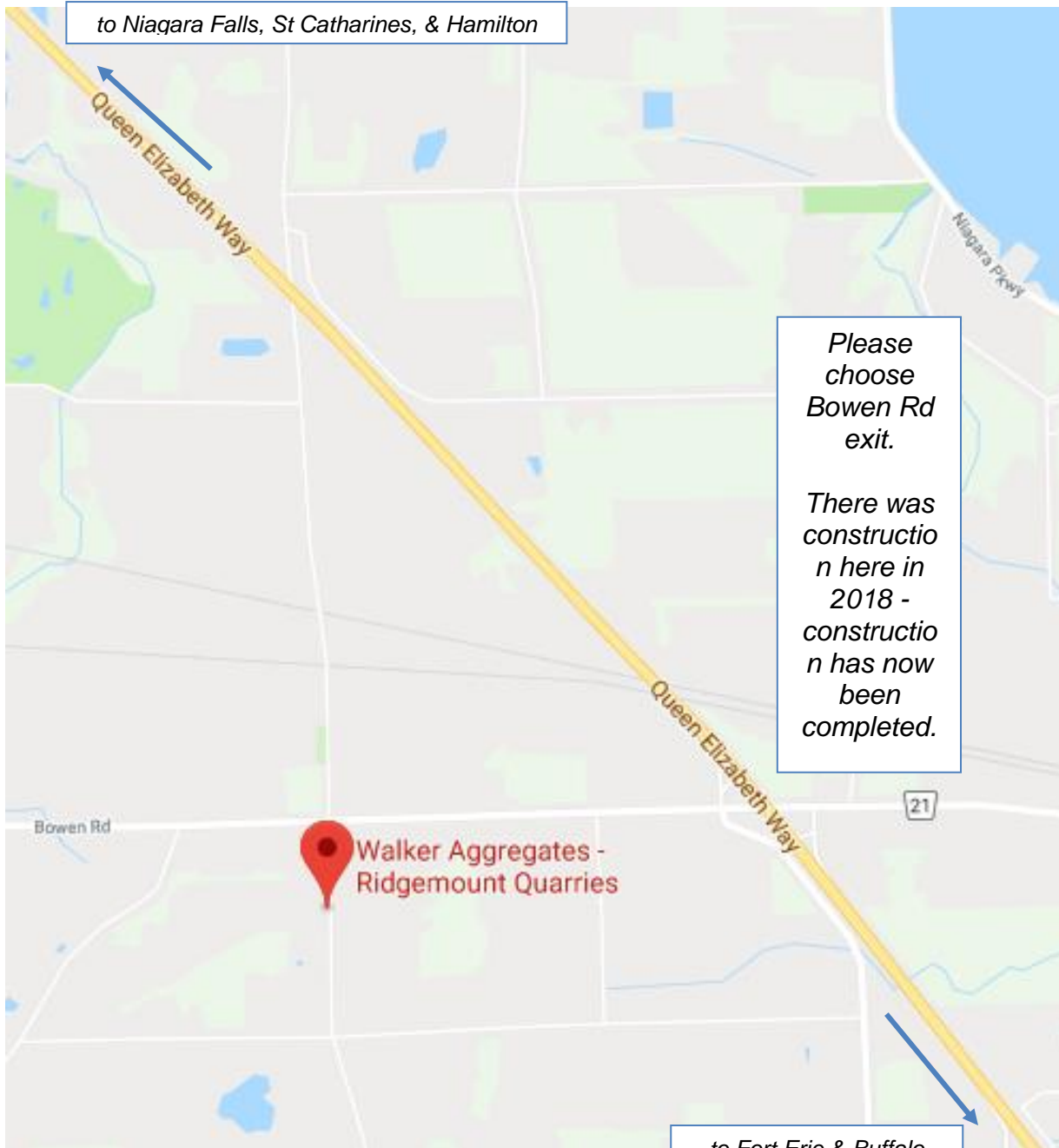


This is the RIDGEMOUNT "SOUTH" quarry. As of 2018, it is now a possible working quarry - hence, we'll be dealing with changing collecting areas, off-limits areas, and additional safety rules. Edgecliff Formation (lowest strata of Onondaga Peninsula) reef environment.



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**getting to Ridgemount
Quarries from the QEW**



From Sarnia

- approx 3 hours
- will travel 402, 401, 403, & QEW.

From London

- approx 2 3/4 hours
- will travel 401, 403, & QEW.

From Brantford

- approx 1 3/4 hours
- will travel 401, 403, & QEW.

From Toronto environs

- approx 2 hrs (perhaps, a bit more)
- please ensure that you get onto the QEW Niagara sooner or later.

From points further east than Toronto

- Google maps should be able to give you best times & best routes
- again, please ensure that you finally end upon QEW Niagara.

1) Getting off the QEW:

- a) If coming from Hamilton direction, then turn right onto Bowen Rd from the QEW exit ramp.
 - b) If coming from Buffalo direction, then turn left onto Bowen Rd from the QEW exit ramp.
- 2) Travel along Bowen Rd and turn left onto Ridgemount Rd (only a couple of minutes).
- 3) Turn right into the quarry - almost immediately. Please watch out for the gravel slinger trucks - usually lots of them - plus often lots of trucks on Bowen Rd.



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arriving @ Ridgemount Quarries

Quarry Entrance

Meet-up parking
GPS @ Ridgemount Quarry
42.929862, -79.004605

Gatehouse



Ridgemount Quarries

2009 Ridgemount Road
Stevensville, ON L0S 1S0
Phone: 905-680-3792

Quarry

- Take QEW Niagara
- Follow QEW towards QEW Fort Erie
- Take Bowen Rd. Exit
- Turn right on Bowen Rd.
- Turn left on Ridgemount Rd.
- Ridgemount Quarries is on the right hand side

Paint Shop

- Continue on Ridgemount Rd. past quarry
- Turn right on Bridge St.

Bridge St

Ridgemount Rd

Bridge St



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***collecting @ Ridgemount Quarry
this is an open-to-the-public site on Fridays from late spring thru to early fall
Please call 905-680-3792 for permission & a reservation. Thanks.***



*2019
collecting
area
- unknown at
this point*



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collecting @ Ridgemount "South" Quarry

Please note that this is always a "by special permission" scheduled field trip and that you'll need to be a member of a CCFMS club.



As of 2018, work has begun again in Ridgemount "South"; hence, there are now off-limits areas.

Please *DO NOT* access any of the ridge roads above the quarry floor, Walker Brothers is actively working these areas.

White circle is the gate into Ridgemount "South".
GPS Ridgemount "South" Quarry entry gate
[42.914635 -79.003565](#)

Yellow circles are where you can park.
approx GPS for parking spots
[42.914883 -79.005819](#)

Dark red circles are where we collected in 2018.
The 2 large circles are the quarry floor.
The smaller circles are cliff faces - and have been very productive.

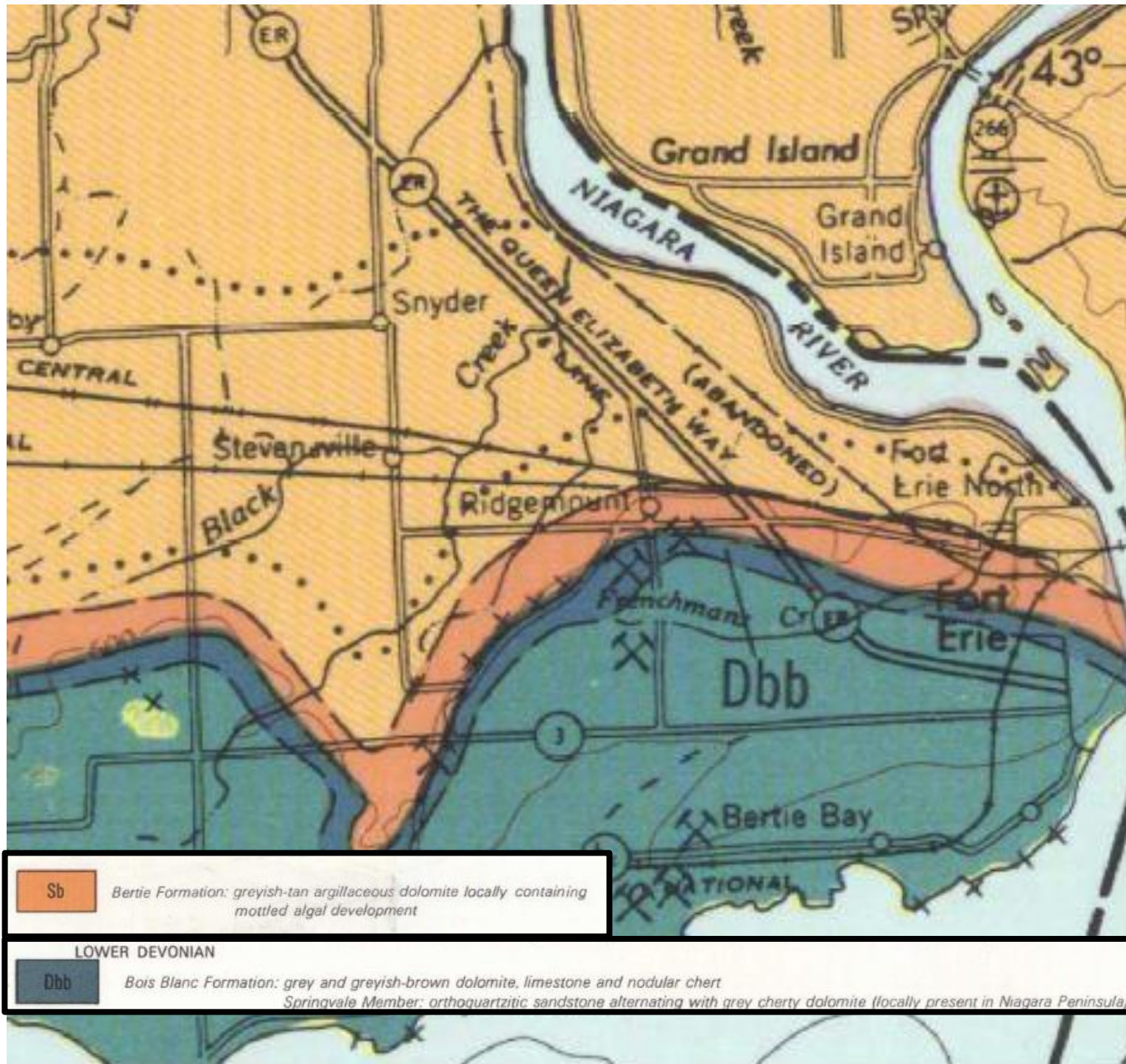
Will confirm if we can still collect in same areas.

Bright red circle indicates a small cliff area above.
Walker Brothers has requested that if you collect in this area, ***then you must be accompanied by at least one other person.***

Light blue circles indicate water & swampy areas.
!DANGER! Please ***DO NOT*** access - water is very cold and very deep.



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1969 GSA map - Toronto thru the Windsor area - shows where Bertie Formation (Upper Silurian) and Bois Blanc Formation (Lower Devonian) are in the Fort Erie area

2 different sizes of the map (in pdf format) can be downloaded from <http://geogratias.gc.ca/api/en/nrcan-rncan/ess-sst/24754e2c-4a3c-55d1-8a3d-a99ac4cb7677.htm>

<https://www.mindat.org/loc-254053.html>