

## Our mission

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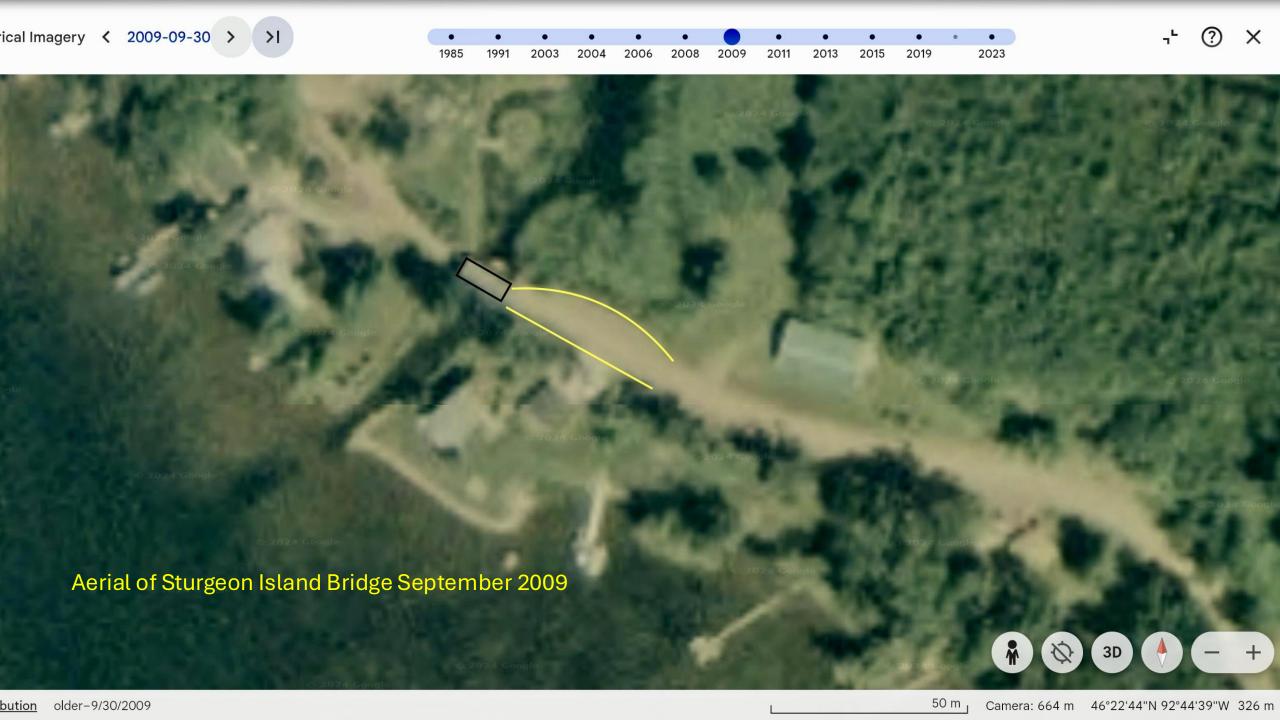


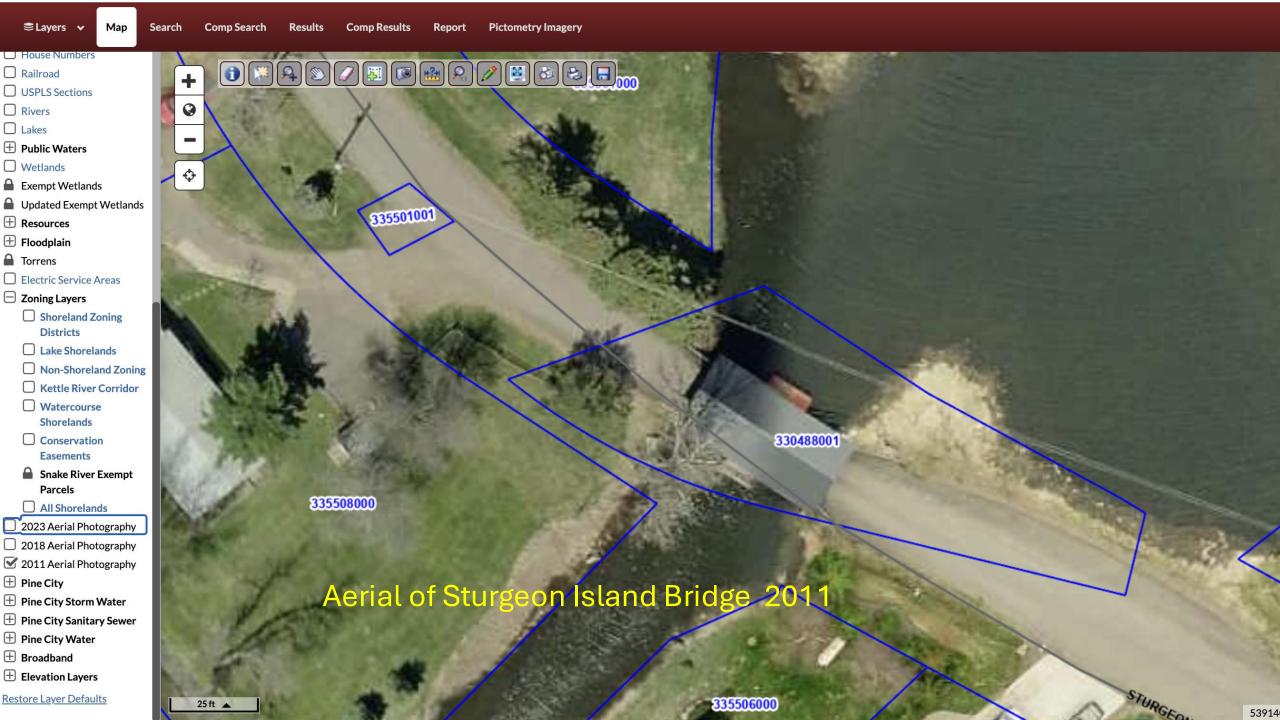
Aerial photo of Sturgeon Lake dated 10-6-1939

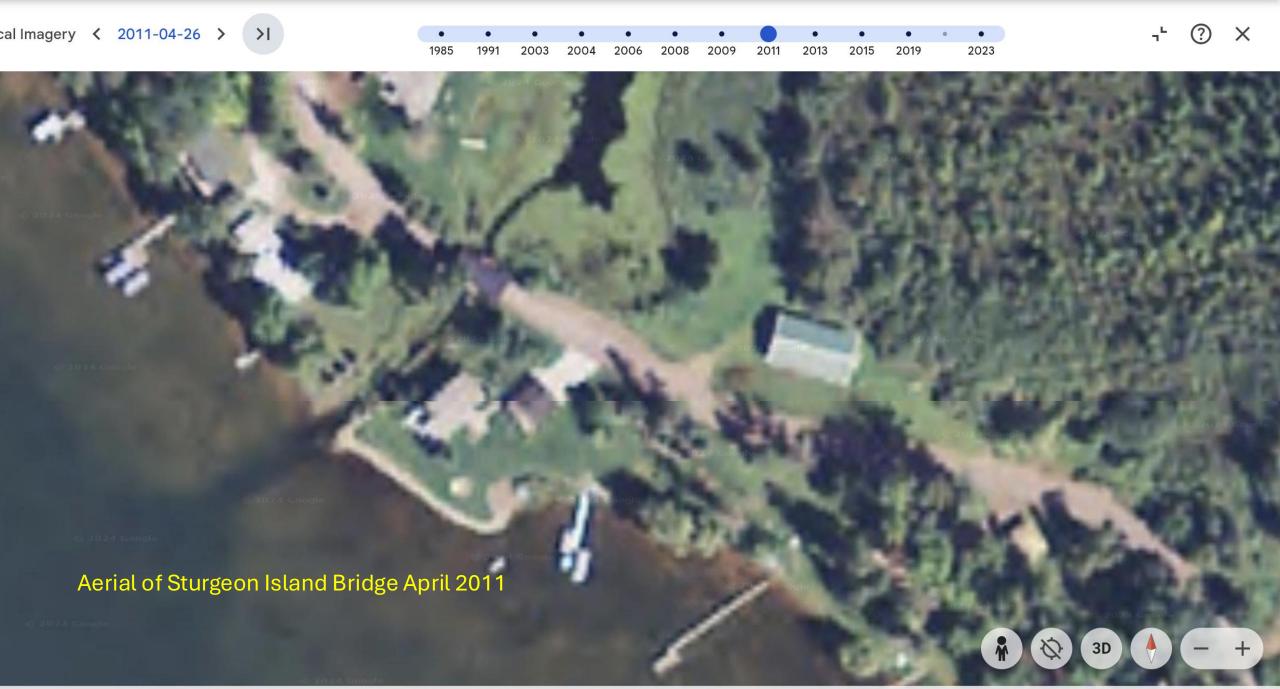


Aerial photo of Sturgeon Lake dated 8-10-1965 just prior to the purchase and development

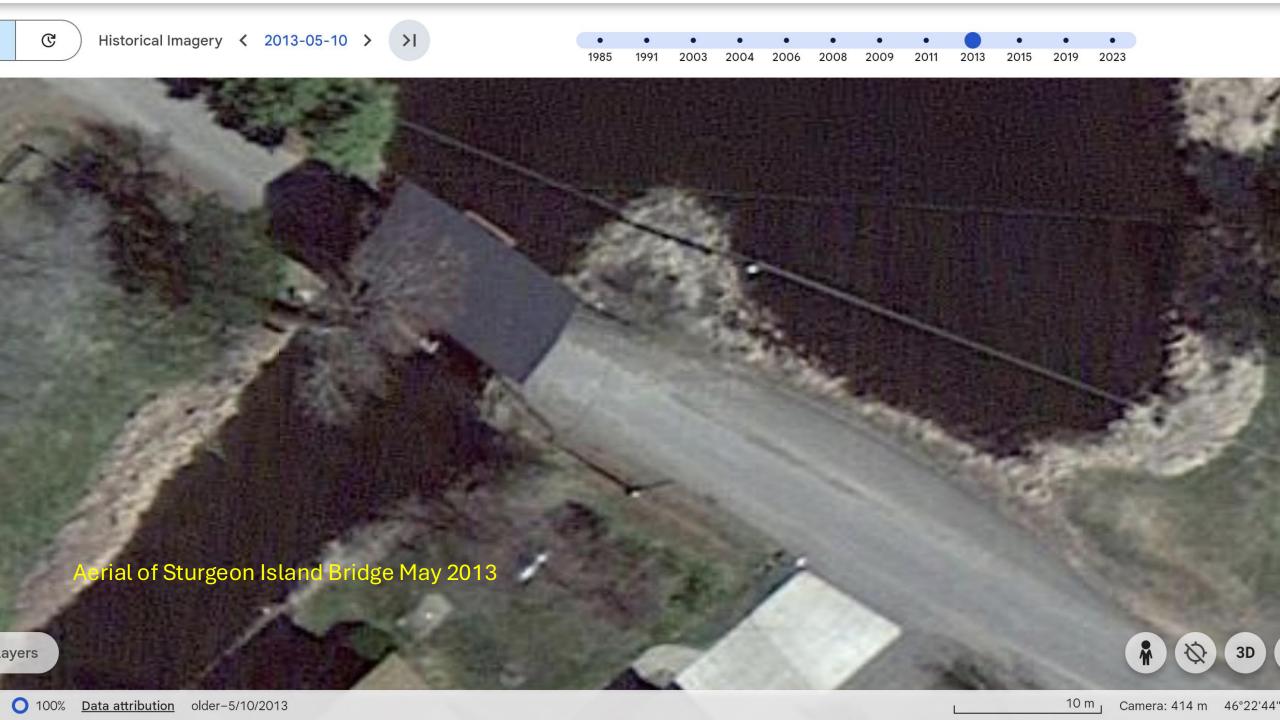


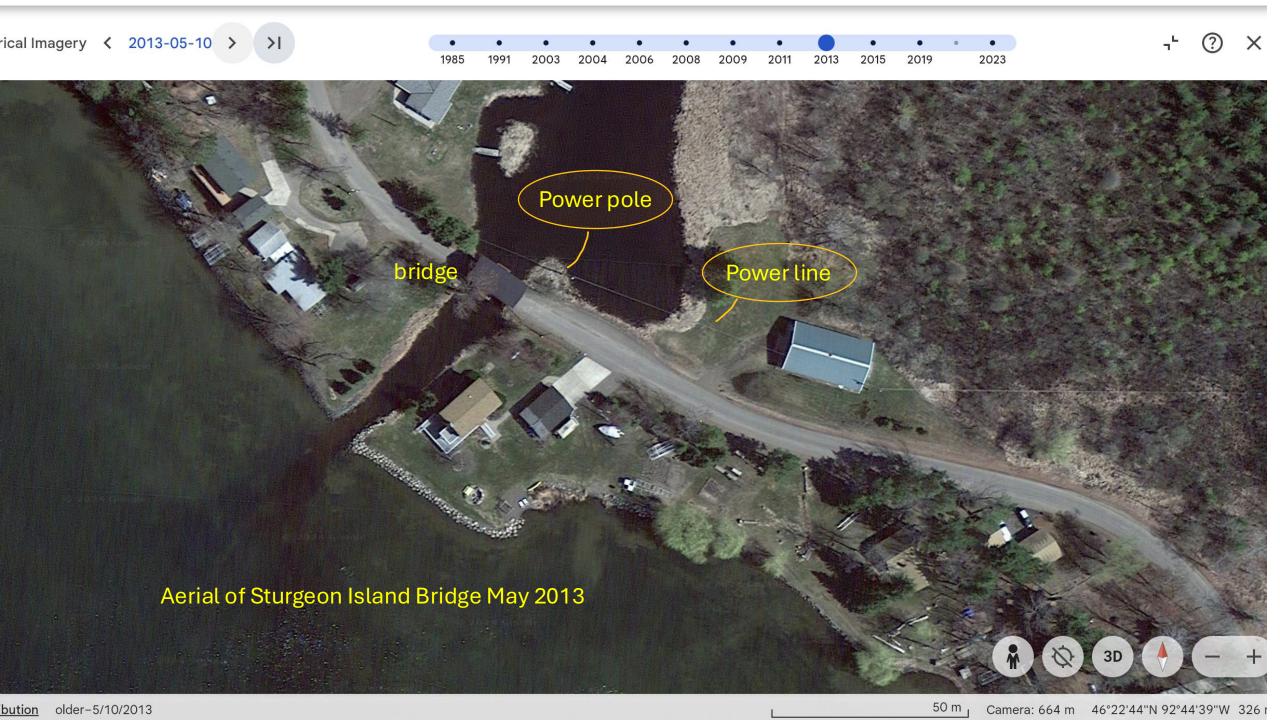


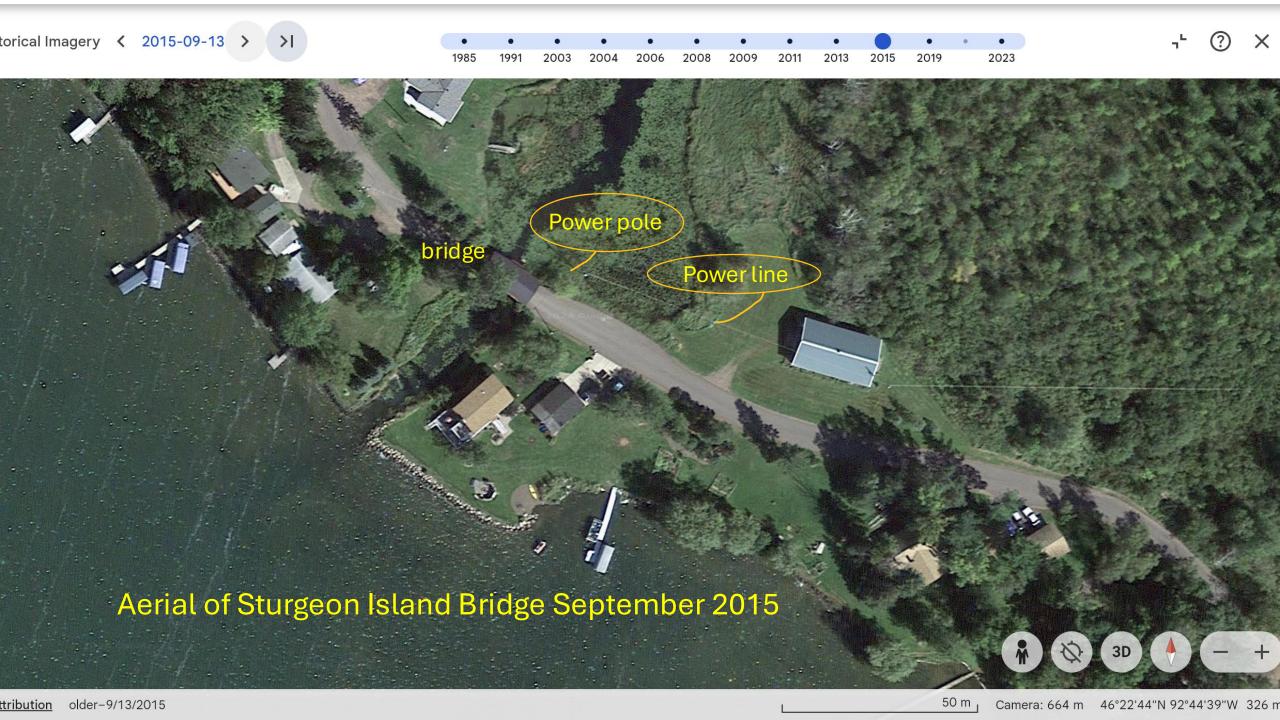


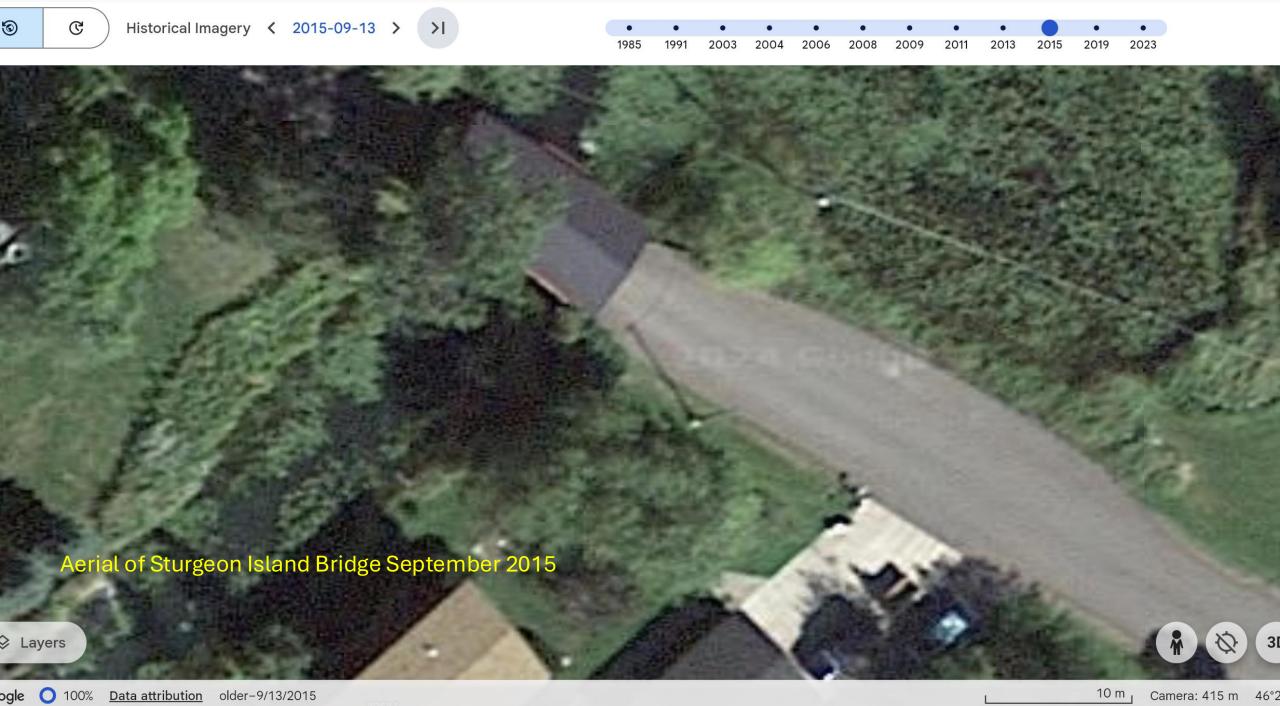


ution older-4/26/2011 Camera: 664 m 46°22'44"N 92°44'39"W 326 m















































## Conclusion

- 1. The area in question was all land area prior to 1966 and was a peninsula. The island was man made and that whole channel area was dredged and man made as well.
- 2. We have seen historical photos, and it appears that there may be little no extra fill as previously indicated.
- 3. The position and elevation of the bridge has changed from the previous one.
- 4. Since the State would not allow the fishing piers as on the old bridge cover, this area is vital to keep fisherman safe and away from the road and continuing to provide that opportunity to many.
- 5. As it stands this small sliver of land is important (just like the other three corners are) to protect the road and the bridge as a buffer for when the water rises again as it did in 2019 which at that point flooded the road.

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