



HALDIMAND COUNTY OPP

Detachment Commander – Inspector Brian Haggith

From: Constable P. Wright

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INCIDENT COMMANDER CALLS FOR CALM

The Ontario Provincial Police responded to a large disturbance in front of the Douglas Creek Estates on Argyle St, S., Caledonia, Haldimand County.

Last night, August 8, 2006 protesters confronted First Nation occupiers at the main entrance of the Douglas Creek Estates. During the confrontation, stones and pebbles were thrown, a water hose sprayed and insults hurled back and forth. Fortunately there were no serious injuries reported.

Due to heightened tension, A/Supt Babbitt stresses “the behaviour of both sides last night is not helpful to the peace process and can reverse positive progress that has been made.” Babbitt adds, “behaviour of this kind is unacceptable and only sparks violent confrontations that make it impossible to reach a peaceful resolution in this land dispute. Anger and violence will not resolve this situation.”

A/Supt Babbitt reinforces “that at this time, calm and common sense is paramount on all sides and negative behaviour should not be tolerated by any persons.” The OPP is committed to working through this occupation to achieve a peaceful resolution and are asking everyone to do their part in committing to the peace process.

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