

Town Dock on Moon River

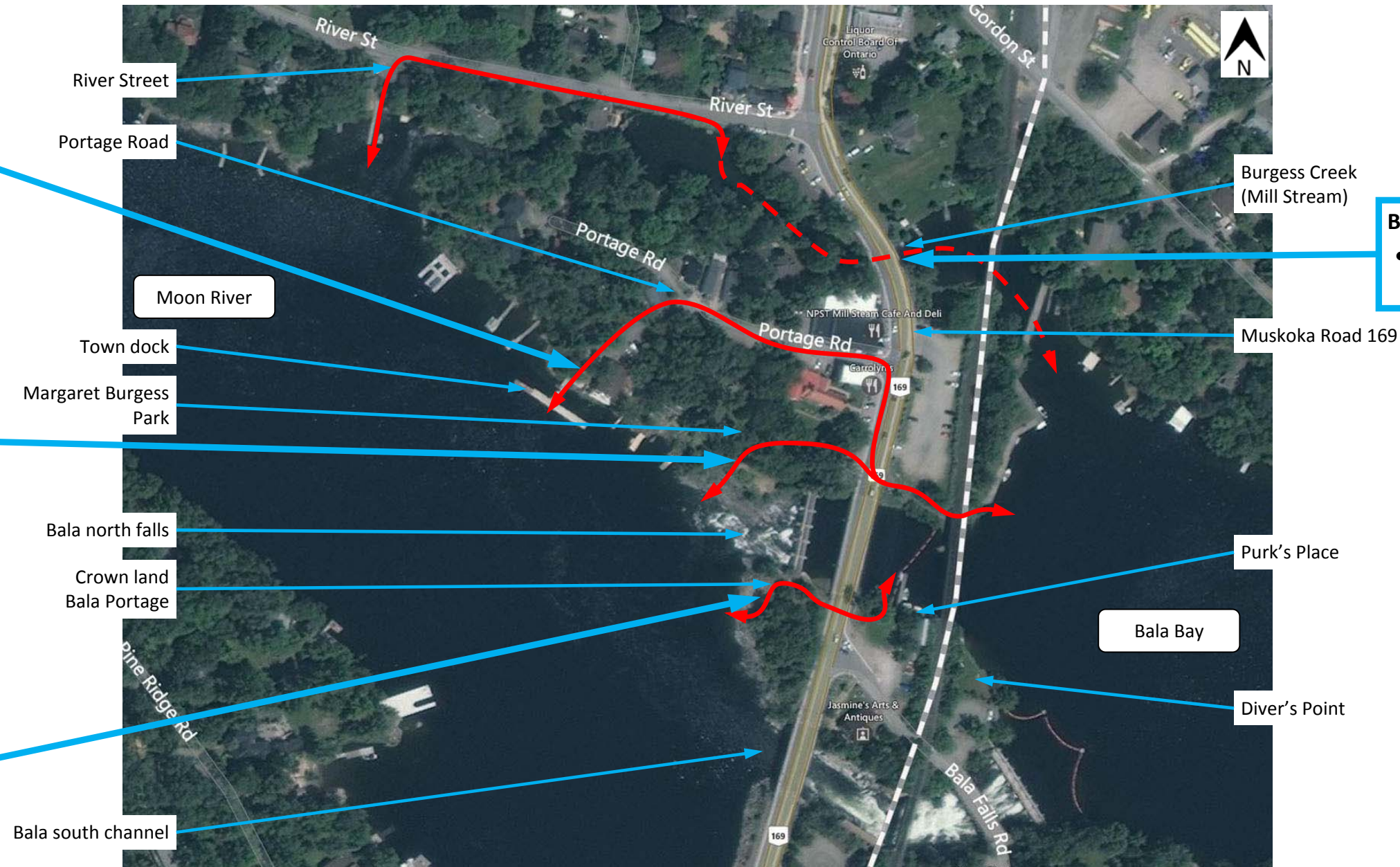
- Unacceptable as route goes over private property so cannot be primary portage.
- Dangerous as route uses Portage Street, which has no sidewalk and no shoulder and requires walking behind and beside parked cars.
- Dangerous as Muskoka Road 169 must be crossed south of curve so cars approaching from the north have inadequate sight-lines.

Margaret Burgess Park

- Not possible as it would be fenced-off during proposed construction, and apparently afterwards as well.

Bala Portage

- Is the safest, most direct route, crosses Muskoka Road 169 where there are good sight-lines and ample room to observe and wait for traffic to be clear.
- The confirmed traditional and historic route for the Bala Portage is south of the Bala north falls.
- Due to the province's construction in 1965 of the highway bypass, this is now the only possible route for the Bala Portage. But this would be obstructed by the proponent's current proposal.



Burgess Creek / River Street

- Unacceptable as creek under Muskoka Road 169 flows too fast.

Possible Bala Portage Route Summary