



## Report to Council

Department: Infrastructure Services  
Division: Capital Works and Asset Management  
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### Recommendation

**That** Capital Works and Asset Management-2025-17 entitled 2025 Road Surface Treatment Program Update by David McBeth, Manager, Capital Work & Asset Management dated June 16, 2025 be received.

### Purpose

As part of the 2025 Budget, Administration included a project for a single lift of surface treatment to the South Malden Road. This report is to provide an update on this project.

### Background and Discussion

As part of the proposed budget for 2025 Road Treatment program, a single lift of surface treatment to extend the useful life of South Malden Road from County Road 11 to County Road 15 was included. The program was tendered in January and awarded to Shepley Road Maintenance Ltd. on March 17, 2025.

Due to the prolonged winter season and numerous freeze-thaw cycles that occurred this year, the condition of South Malden Road has deteriorated to the point where performing a single lift is no longer the best option for this road. This roadway will now need to be reconstructed by being pulverized and have 3 lifts of surface treatment completed. The expected cost to reconstruct South Malden Road from County Road 11 to County Road 15 is estimated at \$1,300,000, which is why Administration is recommending deferral. Timing for this new scope in project will be considered as part of the budget process for 2026 and within the 10-year roads plan that will come back to Council as an annual report. Administration anticipates completing this section of road over many years, similar to Ridge Road and Iler Road Reconstruction projects.

As such, Infrastructure Services has cancelled this roadway as part of the 2025 program and informed Shepley Road Maintenance Ltd. as such. Cancelling this work equates to approximately \$160,000 of the proposed budget. Infrastructure Services has also informed the contractor to complete the McCormick Road from the 4<sup>th</sup> Concession Road to the 5<sup>th</sup> Concession Road as a replacement project. This roadway was provisional item in our Road Surface Treatment Program Tender that was not included in the purchase order due to the lack of funds and is a roadway to be completed in our 5-year plan. The cost to complete this section of roadway is approximately \$42,200. Any remaining additional funds will be used to fund the purchase of hot mix asphalt to repair the shoulders and fix deficient areas of these single lift treated roadways.

### **Financial Impact**

As the new provisional works on McCormick Road and the additional hot mix asphalt padding required to complete the single lift roadways in 2025 will be offset by the cancellation of the South Malden Road project, there are no expected financial impacts to the 2025 Road Treatment Program approved budget. Any unused money will be returned to the Town's Asset Management Reserve.

## **Consultations**

Kate Giurissevich, CAO & Director, Corporate Services/Treasurer

Kevin Girard, Director, Infrastructure Services

## **Link to Strategic Priorities**

- Embrace asset management best practices to build, maintain, and continuously improve our municipally owned infrastructure.
- Leverage our Town's competitive advantages to promote jobs and economic investment.
- Take care of our natural environment and strengthen the sense of belonging to everyone who makes Essex "home".
- Deliver friendly customer service in an efficient, effective, and transparent manner while providing an exceptional working environment for our employees.
- Build corporate-level and community-level climate resilience through community engagement and partnership and corporate objectives.

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