

MUNICIPALITY



OF ASSIGINACK

The Honourable Greg Rickford
Minister of Northern Development
Suite 400
160 Bloor Street
Toronto, ON M7A 2E6

Re: NORDS Pilot Program

Dear Honourable Greg Rickford,

At its regular meeting held on August 19, 2025, the Council of the Township of Assiginack passed the following resolution expressing support for making the NORDS pilot program permanent:

*Resolution #173-08-2025 – R. Maguire – J. Bowerman
WHEREAS the City of North Bay has circulated their letter to the Province requesting the NORDS pilot program to become a permanent funding opportunity for Northern municipalities and to expand the criteria to include agricultural equipment impact on roads;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Assiginack Council agrees and provides their support of this request.
Carried.*

The NORDS program provides essential support for maintaining and improving infrastructure that is critical to Northern municipalities. Making this program permanent and expanding its criteria would ensure that rural and agricultural communities can manage the increasing strain on local roads caused by agricultural and heavy equipment.

We respectfully urge the Province to consider making the NORDS program a permanent funding initiative and thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Stasia Carr'. The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Stasia Carr
Clerk
Township of Assiginack