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# **Report to Council**

To: Mayor and Council Members

From: Jason Post, Public Works Manager

Date: September 23, 2025

Subject: Haultain Road Surface Treatment

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report regarding deferring the Surface Treatment and Gravel application on Haultain Road until 2026.

# Background:

The "5 Year Surface Treatment Plan "C" Road Additions" identified Haultain Road (1.5km's) as one of the three roads to be completed in 2025. The other roads that were identified for 2025 are the remainder of Big Cedar Lake Road (2.5 km's) and Fire Route 10 (1km).

#### Analysis:

The Public Works crew has worked hard to prepare the above-mentioned roads for surface treatment in 2025. The Ice Storm that happened at the end of March caused substantial delays for our construction start up. Normally the crew would begin working on construction projects in late May, but we were unable to begin this year's projects until early July. We also had more rock to remove than anticipated and had to retain the services of an excavator with a hydraulic hammer for 2 days because the hydraulic hammer that was rented for the backhoe was not sufficient for the amount of rock requiring removal. Haultain road will not be ready for Surface Treatment for this year as OPSS 304 suggests that Surface Treatment should not be applied after September 30th. The crew has managed to prepare Big Cedar Lake Road and Fire Route 10, and these roads will be Surface Treated starting on September 30th and should be completed by October 2<sup>nd</sup>. With the warmer weather Miller Paving has stated that they will provide warranty coverage for these segments if they are not able to complete the work by October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Therefore, the Public Works Department would like to defer the Surface Treatment and gravel application on Haultain Road and complete it with the 2026 projects that are identified in the "5 Year Surface Treatment Plan "C" Road Additions". The crew will continue to work on Haultain Road to ensure that it is prepared for next year's application.

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## **Financial Implications:**

The Surface Treatment budget for Haultain Road for 2025 was estimated at \$92,925.00. This estimate was based on the calculation of 10,500 m² at \$8.85 per m². In consultation with Miller Paving they have estimated the cost of Surface Treatment to increase by 5% in 2026. With the 5% estimate the price per m² could increase to \$9.29 per m² for 2026. With this price increase accounted for the cost to defer the Surface Treatment for Haultain Road could be \$97,545.00 making the variance \$4,620.00.

The Gravel budget for Haultain Road for 2025 was estimated at \$17,750.00 based on a cost of \$13.65 per tonne. The tonnage estimate in the plan was for 1,300 tonne. In consultation with Drain Brothers Excavating Limited they are estimating a \$0.20 increase per tonne for 2026. With this cost increase accounted for the cost to defer the gravel application until 2026 would be \$260.00.

The total cost to defer the Surface Treatment and Gravel applications until 2026 would be \$4,880.00.

The increase will be calculated into the 2026 Capital budget.

## Strategic and/or Other Plans:

#### Infrastructure:

Investments in Municipal Infrastructure:

- **1**.Ensure that existing infrastructure is sustained prior to expanding and/or investing in new infrastructure, reflective of the Asset Management Plan (AMP)
- 2. Plan infrastructure development within demographic needs

#### Governance:

Maintain a strong, accountable municipal government:

- 1. Maintain policies and processes that enable effective governance
- 2. Provide quality community programs and services
- **3**. Provide effective, clear and transparent Township communication

"5 Year Surface Treatment Plan"



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# In Consultation with:

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# **Attachment:**

None