

New camera to monitor truck traffic on Maple Ave.

Costs of camera will be covered by Dufferin Aggregates

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A new camera has been installed on Maple Avenue near Halton Hills Town Hall to monitor license plates on aggregate trucks driving through town in order to ensure they are following the proper routes.

Dufferin Aggregates, which operates the Dufferin Acton Quarry, has undertaken the initiative at the town's request. All costs and maintenance associated with the camera will be covered by Dufferin Aggregates.

"I'm very pleased that Dufferin is taking this proactive approach to ensure compliance by their (con-

tractors)," said Mayor Rick Bonnette in a release. "Maple Avenue is not to be used as a primary truck route and the camera initiative supports this direction from the town."

The initiative, aimed at third-party haulers contracted by Dufferin Aggregates, aims to monitor truck traffic going to and from the company's Acton pit.

The camera is set up to photograph licence plates and compare them to a database of trucks on Dufferin Aggregates' list of registered carriers.

While the camera will record additional plate information, the town says it will not maintain those records on file.

"All other license plate information will be erased by the end of each day. The public's information is not stored or shared," said the town in its release.

"Dufferin has been supplying aggregate materi-

als for the Acton and Georgetown area for many years, and is also a source of aggregate for many municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area. As per town direction, only trucks making deliveries into the Georgetown area are to use Maple Avenue, while all other contractors are expected to use alternate truck routes," it added.

According to Ward 3 councillor Moya Johnson, truck traffic on Maple Avenue has been a long-standing concern of area residents.

"Ward 3 residents have been dealing with the impacts of gravel truck traffic for many years. This new system will reduce the volumes greatly and improve the quality of life for all who use or live on Maple Avenue and River Drive," she said.

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A new camera installed on Maple Ave. near town hall aims to help curb illegal truck traffic through Halton Hills.

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