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Deadline for applications is May 27, 2010



Gravel recovery saves money

By Denise Paulsen

A gravel recovery program will reduce costs associated with essential repairs, undertaken in spring, to rural roads in the Guelph/Eramosa Township. Manager of Public Works, Ken Gagnon, reporting to the Township's council recently, spoke of the department's initiative – costing \$177,000 in 2009 – dropping to a projected \$88,000 in the 2010 budget. Gagnon said that any projected savings would go towards other department projects such as cross culvert replacement and to help offset maintenance budget shortfalls.

Federal gas tax rebates do not pay for gravel road

repairs or upkeep. However, the rebates do pay to upgrade gravel roads to asphalt. The Township has 63.5-km of gravel roads remaining with 119.5-km of paved roadway. Over the last five years 14-km of rural roadway has been paved. The public works department is upgrading 4.6-km to hardtop in 2010. Gagnon anticipates the remaining 58.9-km of gravel roadway to be paved over the next 10 years.

With the gravel recovery program, the Township recovers gravel from the sides and shoulders of rural roads, replacing it in the spring when conditions are optimal. "This leaves a denser, stronger, smoother surface that will be easier to maintain," Gagnon reported, adding the public may view the gravel recovery as an inconvenience, but it is necessary to properly maintain the roads in a cost efficient way.

"Over the past few years there has been a build-up of gravel on the edge of the roadway creating secondary ditches caused by whip-off, heavy traffic and snow plowing," Gagnon said.

In related news, Lesley Sand and Gravel – a local business located at Sixth Line in the Township – agreed to supply 3,000 tonnes of gravel, free of charge, to repair a stretch of roadway in the Township regularly used by the quarry to truck stone. This represents a \$25,000-\$30,000 cost saving. The aggregate company made two similar deals in the early 2000's. The taxpayers of Guelph/Eramosa will cover the cost of producing the gravel needed to repair the 1.3-km stretch of roadway.



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