

April 27, 2022

Mayor George Finch
Municipality of South Huron
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Dear Mr. Mayor Finch:

Throughout Ontario, there are 114 Connecting Links in 77 municipalities totalling 352 kilometres, with 70 bridges.

These municipal roads and bridges are vital links that connect people to jobs, make it easier for people to get where they need to go and support economic growth in local communities.

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) recognizes that the maintenance and repair costs of roads and bridges place a heavy burden on our municipal partners. In some cases, it may be more efficient and cost-effective for municipalities to enter into separate agreements with ministry maintenance contractors to deliver winter maintenance services on your Connecting Link, where economically and practically feasible (i.e., where such agreements result in low potential need of additional equipment or supervision and/or do not impact MTO's winter maintenance routes in the area).

I am reaching out to determine your municipality's interest in discussing the opportunity of forming a separate agreement with MTO's maintenance contractor. Ministry staff are available to discuss these options further and facilitate next steps. Please contact me at Geoffrey.Gladdy@ontario.ca, or Kyle Clemens, Manager of Regional Services and Relationships, at Kyle.Clemens@ontario.ca with any questions, or to schedule a meeting.

Sincerely,



Geoffrey Gladdy
Director, West Operations

- c. Alex Wolfe, Deputy Clerk, Municipality of South Huron
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