



Staff Memo

To: South Huron Council

From: Shane Timmermans, Manager of Transportation Services

Date: November 25/2024

Re: Gravel for Rural Roads

Recommendation:

That South Huron Council receives the Staff Memo - Gravel for Rural Roads; and That Capital Project 2025-TS-11 – Roller Attachment be included in the proposed 2025 Budget.

Purpose:

For incorporation in the proposed 2025 Budget.

Background and Analysis:

At their November 12, 2024 Budget Meeting, Council passed a resolution for a report back regarding increased gravel for rural roads. After careful consideration of the current gravel budget, staff are not recommending any further increase to the operating budget for gravel, beyond what has already been included in the proposed budget for 2025. The current proposed increase for the 2025 budget will allow staff to meet the necessary tonnage requirements that were previously applied. Typically, it takes three years to assess the difference from previous years since gravel is applied every other year.

On further consideration, staff are recommending another project that would help with rural gravel roads that could be undertaken and would be a big asset to maintaining gravel roads. Attached to this memo for Council consideration is a Capital Request Form for a roller attachment that would be used to compact gravel while grading roadways. The roller attachment would be installed to the back of the grader.

Related Documents:

Capital Request Form – Project No 2025-TS-11 – Roller Attachment