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Re: Update on the Highway 559 Rehabilitation Project

Yesterday the Township received correspondence from the Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO) addressing the status of the rehabilitation of Highway 559. They stated that MTO remains committed to the planned rehabilitation of Highway 559. The planned improvements include upgrading the highway from surface treatment to hot mix, replacing centerline culverts, treating pavement distress areas, grading and adding paved shoulders. They are currently working through the environmental approvals, property acquisitions, utility locations and other consultation requirements. They are anticipating having a contractor on site this Fall. In the meantime the ministry's maintenance contractor, Fowler Construction Company Ltd, is repairing potholes to address immediate safety concerns. They understand that these are only short-term improvements and not long-term solutions.

MTO is planning additional remediation work which will include the addition of an asphalt layer at four locations commencing at the end of June or early July that will address the immediate hazards and improve the road conditions ahead of the major rehabilitation project. These locations include:

- Dillon Road and Highway 559
- Carling Bay Road East and Highway 559
- 700 m west of Carling Bay Road East
- 2.5 km west of Carling Bay Road East

If residents have immediate concerns with the respect to highway maintenance they may contact Fowler Construction Company Ltd at their toll-free number 1-866-527-8216. This number can be accessed 24 hours a day, seven days a week.