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Road Resurfacing program underway

With summer underway, so marks the beginning of the Town's annual Road Resurfacing program. This year, the Town has identified 14km of roads being rehabilitated as part of its five-year Road Resurfacing program.

"Fort Erie's Infrastructure Services department oversees the construction, operation, repair and maintenance of 820km of roads in Fort Erie," said Kelly Walsh, Director of Infrastructure Services. "The Town uses a number of methods to determine which streets will be resurfaced such as current road conditions, age, future infrastructure improvements and traffic volumes. Each year we assess the road system and make a list of priorities as part of our five-year planning process."

The Road Resurfacing program generally includes two forms of road rehabilitation: surface treatment and hot-mix asphalt. Surface treatment (also called tar and chip) is typically done in rural areas and is a two-year process. Hot-mix asphalt is typically done in urban environments such as residential neighbourhoods and downtown core areas.

The 2017 Capital Budget includes a total of \$1.83 million for the Roads Resurfacing program. Town Council approved the annual budget early in the year to promote early tendering and competitive pricing.

"The Town will continue to leverage and stretch the dollars committed to renewing our roads infrastructure," said Mayor Wayne Redekop. "We are committed to reinvesting in our roads in order to meet the needs of our residents, businesses and visitors."

Residents and business owners whose street has been selected for resurfacing will receive a hand-delivered Road Resurfacing Program Notice approximately two weeks before construction begins.

Motorists are reminded to obey all signs and traffic control personnel during these construction projects. Since traffic may be reduced to one lane from time to time in these projects, obeying signals and workers helps to ensure everyone's safety.

For a complete list of roads identified in the five-year Road Resurfacing program, visit <http://www.forterrie.ca/pages/CapitalConstructionProjects>. Please note that streets could be added to or deleted from the program without prior notice from the Town.

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