STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE

2019 Gravel Program Overview

Report Purpose
To provide an update on the 2019 Gravel Road Maintenance Program.

Our Prioritized Strategic Goals
Continuously improving the way we work, as one organization, in an agile and sustainable manner

Report
As part of Transportation and Agriculture Services annual maintenance program, the Gravel Road Maintenance Program focuses on low volume gravel roadways. There are two functional classifications of gravel roads: Class III and Class IV.

Class III roads see 100 to 250 vehicles per day, and receive full intersection to intersection dust suppression. On Class IV roadways, the Spot Dust Control Program completes suppression 153 meters in front of occupied residences.

Upon completion of the 2018 program, it was clear that gravel maintenance did not meet the residents expected level of service. As part of the 2019 budget review, Council added an additional operational budget to support increasing the gravel maintenance program to look at long term treatments.

Transportation and Agriculture Services has developed a program which focuses on addressing roadways that need major maintenance to support road users with a safe driving surface. The enclosed presentation outlines the plan for the 2019 construction season for the Gravel Road Maintenance Program.

Council and Committee History
November 29, 2018 THAT $3 million per year to fund Option 2 of the rural roads upgrade project be added to the proposed TAS operating budget for 2019 and 2020, and that the source of funds be identified.

October 31, 2018 THAT Transportation and Agricultural Services provide more information on how maintenance of gravel roads (Class III and IV) will be addressed in the coming year to ensure an adequate level of service and ensure that the issues with service experienced in 2018 are addressed (Flagged Item from Budget).

Other Impacts
Policy: Dust suppression pertains to Policy SER-009-030 Road, Sidewalk, and Parking Lot Network Maintenance
Legislative/Legal: n/a
Interdepartmental: n/a
Master Plan/Framework: Sustainable Rural Roads Master Plan (SRRMP)

Enclosure
1 2019 Gravel Program Overview presentation