

Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal

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Mr. Chris Frotten Chief Administrative Officer Municipality of the District of Barrington P.O. Box 100 Barrington, NS BOW 1E0

Dear Mr. Frotten:

RE: ADDITIONAL FUNDING UNDER THE COST SHARED PROGRAM FOR SUBDIVISION (J CLASS) STREETS

In the 2020-21 Provincial Budget, the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR) was granted a one-time \$10 million allotment to <u>repave existing</u> paved Provincially owned J-Class roads throughout the Province.

This is outside the Cost Shared Program for Paving Subdivision (J Class) Streets set out in the signed 3-year agreements.

For the Department to take advantage of this additional allotment within the 2020-21 fiscal year, the Department will be dividing the funding proportionately based on km of paved J-Class roads per Municipality and we will be asking the Municipality to cost share 50/50 on this program. The roads chosen would become part of the Cost Shared Agreement for Subdivision Streets that the Municipalities have signed with the Province and part of fiscal 2020-21 and would be <u>in addition</u> to what was previously submitted and the usual process with that program and Agreement apply.

The Department has approved \$3.6 million of repaying roads that the Municipalities have already submitted. Of which \$1.8 million will come from the new \$10 million allotment. This will leave \$6.4 million to put toward this new allotment.

To accelerate this program, the Department is requesting the following:

- On or before <u>April 17, 2020</u>, the Municipality must submit a list of paved J-Class roads for the 2020-21 fiscal year and confirmation the Municipality has funding approval to participate (do not include the roads previously submitted for consideration under the Cost Share Program for Subdivision Streets for the 2020-21). Attached, you will find a Road Submission List to be filled out electronically and returned to me by April 17, 2020.
- 2. Examples on how to fill out the form is provided. If any of the columns are not filled in, the list will be rejected by the Province and you will be asked to re-submit.

3. On or before April 17, 2020, the Road Submission List must be received by the Department and confirmation that the Municipality has funding approval to participate if the roads they submit are chosen to be repayed by the Department.

The submitted streets will be reviewed by the Department to verify eligibility and to determine if the condition of the proposed streets meets the minimum criteria for repaying.

If at the end of the Municipalities submissions, there is still funding available in this program, the Department will select the remaining roads to be repaved in the Province until the program is exhausted.

Please submit this information to <u>my attention</u> via <u>email</u> as soon as possible to ensure your requests will be considered for 2020-21. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Construction Manager Craig Smith at (902)543-0519.

Sincerely,

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cc Greg Newell, District Director – TIR Western Craig Smith, Construction Manager – TIR Western

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