





Briefing Note

Title | 2018 Spring Thaw Preparedness

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Previous Council Direction

April 25, 2017 – COW Presentation:

Operating and Capital Drainage File update.

September 27, 2016 – Motion 319/16:

That Council receive the Transportation Operating Report as information and refer challenges and lessons learned to the 2017 Budget process and discussion.

September 8, 2015 – Motion 280/15:

That County Council receives the 2015 Drainage Season Update as information.

October 28, 2014 - Motion 336/14:

That Council receives the 2014 Drainage Season update as information.

Report

Background Information

- Sturgeon County is responsible for the management of storm water flow within its municipal boundaries.
- Municipal infrastructure is susceptible to overload during the spring runoff period. Contributing factors to overload are snowfall "melt" volumes, melting velocities, frozen culverts and damaged or poorly functioning infrastructure.
- Warm melting temperatures early in the year followed by extreme cold temperatures have resulted in ice-blocked culverts throughout the County.
- In addition, large snowfall accumulations have created a significant volume of potential runoff storm water.
- As a result of these conditions, Transportation Services is expecting a severe spring runoff; therefore, a preventative maintenance strategy has been developed for implementation.

External Communication

- County Connections;
- Ongoing media requests.

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Implication

Strategic Alignment:

- Strong Local Governance and Regional Leadership Collaboration with the community.
- Planned Growth Positioning Transportation Services to serve the needs of the community in the face of continued and focused growth.
- Maintaining and Enhancing Strong Communities Focus on engaging residents for feedback on how Transportation Services delivers on community expectations.
- Operational Excellence Focus on improving transportation service delivery to Sturgeon County.

Organizational:

Administration will continue to drive productivity improvements and execution within the current funding model.

Financial:

Spring runoff maintenance strategy to be executed within limits of approved 2018 budget.

Follow Up Action None.

Attachment (s) 1. Spring Runoff Maintenance Strategy

Report Reviewed

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