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Dear residents of LaSalle Line

Re: LaSalle Line Reconstruction Update (West of Nauvoo)

As directed by Council, I am providing to you a status update for LaSalle Line west of Nauvoo. The intent of this letter is to provide you with accurate details and estimated timelines for the project.

The planned construction project calls for a new 7m wide reconstructed road with 1m shoulders. The 10km long project is being completed in stages.

First Stage: Nauvoo Road to 7591 LaSalle Line (1.9km)

• The first section of LaSalle addressed has been milled and built up with gravel to create a better and sufficient base for the road. This was completed because the tar and chip surface treatment was breaking up and becoming unrepairable. The solid base is necessary to handle the heavy equipment that frequently travels the road and is necessary before any future surface treatment is completed.

Second Stage: LaSalle Line Between Little Ireland and Forest Road

- Pulverizing the existing road surface and granular base improvements through to Forest Road.
- The second section of LaSalle has been delayed to 2024 due to the unforeseen storms that have hit our Municipality this year and as a result, occupied our time and resources. The construction on this section of road is large and heading into the fall and winter months is not the ideal time to begin. This section of roadway will also have several culverts replaced prior to any road base improvements happening. Similar to the 1st stage this needs to be completed to handle the heavy equipment travelling the road.

Public Works Department Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston

Frequently asked questions

1) I was able to cut my grass along the roadway and now I cannot.

Because of the construction to date, some ditches have been altered and will continue to be altered along the roadway. These ditches are in the road allowance and in all cases, will be groomed in the final stages of the reconstruction of LaSalle Line. We will not be doing any remedial work to the ditches until the road improvements are complete.

2) The road is narrow and should be widened

Design consistency is important throughout the entire length of the reconstruction project. If there is a hard surface to be placed on LaSalle, the proposed 7m pavement with 1m shoulder will not be attainable through the low areas at the cemetery and east of #7591 without widening the road base. Extending the culverts on the north and south sides of the road and widening the road would be required. An engineer will need to be consulted.

3) When will LaSalle Line be paved?

A hard surface for LaSalle has not been approved to date and is contingent on available funds. A project like this often requires special federal and/or provincial funding to make it feasible to complete without a significant tax increase. We will pursue any government grants, should they become available and hard surfacing approved.

4) The road is too dusty

The dust suppressant delay in 2023 was due to the supply issues. We are hopeful to have the application applied much earlier in 2024. Each roadway gets the same application. We generally apply dust suppressant after final grading of the roadway and ideally before July 1st.