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RE: Blacks Road Restructuring and Resurfacing

TO: West Elgin Mayor Duncan McPhail, Deputy Mayor Richard Leatham Councillors and Staff

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The project of preparing Blacks Road for it's eventual resurfacing next spring is underway. The preliminary work, ie: culvert work, etc., will be performed this fall, 2022 unfortunately causing the road to be shut down during an extreme high traffic time. This is necessary, we understand, to get this project completed in it's time frame,

This project is to restructure and resurface Blacks Road from the edge of Queens Line up to Johnston Line. At this time, we are respectfully submitting the request, that while the crews are in the area and the equipment is available, you choose to resurface the remaining 2 kms of Blacks Road, from Johnston Line to Fleming Line. We have a list of names and signatures of other living east and west of Blacks Road that are also interested in having this extra 2 kms hard surfaced, see that this would be the best time to do so. We are happy to make those are available to you at any time if you require them.

Revisiting this project in the future will only incur a higher cost of having the engineers, contractors, crews and equipment come out all over again. Every job is cheaper while the people are already there.

We understand that extra cost is not in the original money given for the work from Queens Line to Johnston Line, but we ask that you would take some time to look for the extra funds that can be used now, instead of later when costs will only rise, and would therefore hinder the possibility of this portion of Blacks Road ever being resurfaced. With gravel and gravel road upkeep only rising in the future, and the costs saved in upkeeping hard surfaced roads compared to gravel roads, we feel it is only reasonable to ask for this extension at a time when it is most economical to do so.

Thank you
Kevin and Marguerite