

Administration and Operations Committee Report

To: The Chair and Members of the Administration and Operations Committee

From: Clint Brown, Public Works Technologist

Date: December 10, 2024

Report #: RPT-0536-24

Subject: Governors Road West and Cleaver Road, Road Lowering Agreement –

Agreement Extension Request

Purpose: For Approval

Recommendation

Whereas the County of Brant (the County) and Lafarge Canada Inc. entered into an agreement to allow for the aggregate extraction on Governors Road West and Cleaver Road;

And whereas the aggregate extraction has not been completed and the current agreement expires on December 31 of this year;

And whereas Lafarge has requested an extension of the agreement to allow the final aggregate extraction, rehabilitation of the gravel pit lands and construction of the newly aligned Governors Road West and Cleaver Road;

THAT, Council approves the request to extend the Governors Road West and Cleaver Road, Road Lowering Agreement for five (5) years to December 31, 2029,

Strategic Plan Priority

Strategic Priority 2 - Effective Communication

Strategic Priority 4 - Reliable Infrastructure

Impacts and Mitigation

Social Impacts

The residents on Governors Road West will have to travel farther to get to Paris, but at this time they enjoy the road being closed and the relative quiet of their road.

Environmental Impacts

n/a

Economic Impacts

Longer travel time to destinations to the east.

Report

Background

In July of 2013, the County and Lafarge Canada Inc. (Lafarge) entered into an agreement to allow Lafarge to extract aggregate from the right-of-way of both Governors Road West and Cleaver Road and areas south and east of the roads. As a part of that agreement, the two (2) roads were closed, and Lafarge would be responsible for reinstating both roads to the elevation of the proposed Granular "B" on a new alignment at their cost. As the aggregate extraction has taken longer than initially anticipated, Lafarge has requested three (3) previous extensions that were approved by Council.

The existing agreement ends on December 31 of this year. County staff are recommending a five (5)-year extension to the agreement to allow for more time to finalize the aggregate extraction and extraction area rehabilitation plan. Staff have met with Lafarge and agreed that the proposed plan is the best way forward to finalize the aggregate extraction and complete the rehabilitation of the extraction area to allow the reopening of Governors Road West and Cleaver Road.

Lafarge has submitted a written request for the extension, and it is enclosed as Attachment 1

Previous discussions with the residents on Governors Road West and Cleaver Road concluded that they are happy with the road being closed through the pit and are in no hurry for it to be re-opened.

No further extensions are anticipated.

Summary and Recommendations

That Council approves the request to extend the Governors Road West and Cleaver Road, Road Lowering Agreement for five (5) years

Attachments

1. Letter from Lafarge

Reviewed By

R. Walton, P.Eng., General Manager of Operations

Copied To

K. DaCosta, Insurance and Legal Clerk

By-law and/or Agreement

By-law Required No
Agreement(s) or other documents to be signed by Mayor and /or Clerk No