



## AGENDA ACTION ITEM

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DATE: May 20, 2024

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Darryl Johnson, Public Works Director

ITEM TITLE: **2024-05-20 PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

The following items are for your review and discussion at the May 20, 2024, BoCC Meeting.

### SOLID WASTE

**Spring Cleanup** was 5/18. I will provide an update as soon as the data is processed.

### ROAD & BRIDGE

**Spring Efforts** - Crews are scrambling to grade as much as they can. Although we have made a lot of progress, it never feels like we're gaining any ground. Crews will continue to grade when rain provides the needed moisture. Being down 2 operators has definitely slowed progress.

**Magnesium Chloride** - R&B will soon begin our mag chloride efforts. We currently treat 56 miles of gravel roads. In an attempt to better manage our staff time, we are going to try and alternate treatment on lower volume roads (every other year).

### PUBLIC WORKS

**N500W Federal Funding** - Teton County received Federal funding in 2018 for the reconstruction of N500W (Valview). Project design was completed in 2023. However, this project was not scheduled for construction until 2027/2028. The project construction cost estimate last fall was \$4.9M. The Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) recently evaluated their current project budget and identified \$4.7M that has tentatively been reserved for N500W. The minimum required local government match for this Federal-aid project is 7.34%. Teton County has already paid the 7.34% match in the amount of \$356,000 based on the 2023 cost estimate. LHTAC has increased the construction cost estimate to \$5M so there is currently a \$300,000 shortfall. LHTAC is asking if the County can cover any of that shortfall. This past grant cycle Teton County was successful in securing \$100,000 for Federal-aid match. That closes the gap to \$200,000. Based on a \$5M cost estimate, if Teton County were to bridge the gap, we would pay a total out of pocket local match of \$556,000. That would put our local match contribution at 11% instead of the minimum 7.34%.

**Horseshoe Road Proposed ROW Dedication** - Mr. Peter McKellar owns two parcels at the mouth of Horseshoe Canyon. His two parcels are separated by Horseshoe Road (see attached exhibit). The County owns a strip of land in fee simple for the road corridor. Mr. McKellar is not a candidate for a boundary line adjustment because his two parcels are not adjoining. Mr. McKellar is requesting that the County exchange

the fee simple ownership for a dedicated public right of way. This would cause his two properties to have a common boundary and allow him to submit a boundary line adjustment. Mr. McKellar has requested to present his ask to the BoCC.

**Road Maps Schedule** - This past year we have been working towards updating both the County Road Map and the Plow Map. We ran into a little hiccup with the W6600S validation process. It was realized by our Prosecuting Attorney's office that some of our roads currently on the Road Map may not have been properly created. This has stalled our Road Map update efforts. Public Works feels that legal counsel is needed to help determine what roads were not created through the proper process in order to finalize an updated Road Map. It was also decided that the Road Map should be updated before returning to the plow map and plow policy update efforts. At this point, it is unlikely that we will be able to navigate all of these tasks by winter. I would suggest we start with a conversation about legal assistance with our internal road validation efforts.

WEEDS

**Weeds Superintendent** - Public Works is currently advertising for this vacancy.

FACILITIES

**DMV/Assessor's Office Remodel** - Facilities has been asked to look into a remodel of the DMV/Assessor's area. Attached is a sketch of the remodel concept. Is this something the BoCC wants us to pursue immediately or propose in next year's budget talks?

SUGGESTED MOTION:

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

[McKellar Properties.docx](#)

[Assessor\\_DMV Renovation Floorplan.pdf](#)