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Town Receives \$123,820 from Ministry of Transportation

HALTON HILLS, ON – The Town of Halton Hills received good news with the announcement that the municipality was chosen as a funding recipient through the province’s Connecting Links Program. In December of last year, the Town had put forward an application for the design portion of the rehabilitation of the Main Street North Bridge No.13 in Georgetown. The Town will receive \$123, 820 -- an estimated 90% of the cost for the detailed design part of the project.

Connecting Links is a program delivered by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) that provides municipalities money to repair roadways and bridges connecting provincial highways. There are 352 kilometres of connecting links, with 70 bridges in 77 Ontario municipalities.

“I’m delighted the Town’s application was successful,” said Mayor Rick Bonnette. “I’m pleased the Province has this program which recognizes the partnership required to maintain critical infrastructure in order to move people through our communities safely and efficiently.”

The Main Street North Bridge No. 13 was constructed in 1969 as a concrete slab bridge with an asphalt surface. The planned rehabilitation includes replacement and repair of surfaces, seals, rails and bearings, construction of a crash wall as well as sidewalks and other technical components to ensure safety and functionality. It is anticipated that engineering design will be completed in 2017 that will confirm the bridge rehabilitation requirements.

The total cost of the project, including design and construction is estimated at \$2.3M. The Town intends to seek funding for the construction phase of the project, including issuing subsequent applications to the Connecting Links Program as available.

Last year, the Town was successful in securing \$675,000 for the resurfacing of Main Street in Acton.

About the Town of Halton Hills

The Town of Halton Hills, with a population of approximately 60,000, consists of two urban centres, Georgetown and Acton, the Halton Hills Premier Gateway employment area, three hamlets – Glen Williams, Stewarttown and Norval – and several smaller settlements. Halton Hills has long been recognized for its natural beauty, active agricultural community, high quality of life and proximity to major centres, including Brampton, Mississauga and Toronto. The Town is ranked as one of the top small communities in Canada by a national magazine.

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