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Lanark County outlines construction projects for 2026

Construction season is nearly here! Lanark County Public Works plans to complete pavement preservation on 17.2 kilometers of roads this year, with rehabilitation and paved shoulders scheduled for 16.5 km.

The county oversees the construction, operation, repair, and maintenance of more than 560 km of roads and 82 bridge and culvert structures.

The total capital budget for this year is \$11.8 million, with the federal Canada Community-Building Fund (formerly known as the federal gas tax) covering almost \$2.18 million and the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund covering \$662,376.

"We're continuing to make progress on our initiative to pave shoulders on all county roads, with nearly 75 per cents receiving a paved shoulder to date," explained Sean Derouin, Public Works Director.

Asphalt pricing has the largest effect on tender budgets and this year the county has welcomed stabilized pricing after a historic jump of 48 per cent over the last three years. "With the purchase of more than 19,000 tonnes of asphalt planned for 2026, the county is well prepared to weather potential increases to the asphalt price index, which has surpassed \$1 million in recent years," Derouin said.

"Infrastructure is one of our largest assets and plays an important part in the quality of life for residents of Lanark County," said Warden Richard Kidd (Beckwith Reeve). "Council approves priorities for construction through a five-year planning process that helps to ensure solid, safe infrastructure that is carefully planned and managed in a fiscally responsible way."

Projects for 2026 include:

County Road 36 (Bolingbroke Road): Arnott Bros Construction Ltd. will be working on County Road 36 beginning June 22. Work includes pulverizing, adding granular material, completing drainage work and double surface treatment with hardened shoulders for 2.9 km from 200 metres north of Red Pine Road to Highway 7. Work is to be completed by Aug. 21 at a cost of \$724,160.



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County Road 15 (Ferguson Falls Road) and County Road 12 (Pine Grove Road): Thomas Cavanagh Construction Ltd. will be working on County Road 15 and County Road 12 beginning May 4. Work includes pulverizing, adding granular material, completing drainage work and paving with warm mix asphalt. This will occur on County Road 15 County Road 12 to Prestonvale Road for a distance of 3.9 km and on County Road 12 from County Road 15 to the 7th Concession Lanark for a distance of 4.3 km. Work is to be completed by July 31 at a cost of \$2.45 million.

County Road 16 (Wolf Grove Road): Thomas Cavanagh Construction Ltd. will be working on County Road 16 beginning June 14. Work includes pulverizing, adding granular, completing drainage work, replacing curb and gutter, asphalt boulevards and paving with warm mix asphalt from Harding Road to Galbraith Road for a total length of 2 km. Work is scheduled to finish by Aug. 14 at a cost of \$949,017.

County Road 511 (Highway 511): Thomas Cavanagh Construction Ltd. will be working on County Road 511 beginning April 15. Work includes pulverizing, adding granular, completing drainage work and paving with warm mix asphalt for 3.4 km north of the 2025 work. Work is scheduled to be finished by June 12 at a cost of \$1.22 million.

5-Arches Bridge: Bonnechere Excavating Inc. will work on the second phase of rehabilitation on the 5-Arches Bridge located in Pakenham on Kinburn Side Road. Work includes replacement of deteriorated stone, new expansion joints and asphalt deck surface, as well as roadway approaches, guiderail and lighting. Work is scheduled to begin in May and extend until mid-November at an estimated cost of \$1.6 million coming from county reserves.

Christian Street and Almonte Street Turning Lanes: As part of a joint project between the County of Lanark and Mississippi Mills, Orin Contractors Corporation will undertake the construction of dedicated left-turn lanes, asphalt paving and new traffic signals. Work is scheduled to begin in late May and extend until October at an estimated cost of \$554,428.

County Road 7B (Townline Road) Storm Sewer Improvements: A yet-to-be determined contractor will be working on County Road 7B to facilitate the installation of new storm sewers west of Joseph Street at an estimated cost of \$400,000.

Culvert Replacements: A total of 12 culverts will be replaced on County Roads 2, 9, 16 and 17 from May to August by Crains Construction Ltd. and Goldie Mohr Ltd. at a total cost of \$335,632.

Micro-surfacing: Miller Paving Ltd. will be completing micro-surfacing on various county roads. This pavement preservation work is scheduled to take place from June 1 to Aug. 14 on County Roads 7B, 21 and 36 at a total cost of \$1.44 million.



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Shouldering: Arnott Bros Construction Ltd. and D&D Trucking and Construction Service Ltd. will be completing granular shouldering on various county roads. A total of 15.6 km of shoulder gravel improvement will be taking place on County Roads 16 and 7 at a total cost of \$155,952 and is to be completed by May 15.

Derouin notes traffic may be reduced to one lane periodically during these projects. "We ask motorists to please obey signage and traffic control personnel during construction to ensure everyone's safety."

Also watch for the county's public works crews cleaning bridges and conducting roadside mowing, pothole patching and sign repairs throughout the summer. Regular road maintenance activities through other contracts throughout the season include ditching, brushing, crack sealing, line painting and safety barrier repairs.

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