



News Release
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2017 Annual Asphalt Paving and Crack Sealing Program Resumes

(August 3, 2017 – Ponoka, Alberta) – Work on the Town of Ponoka’s annual asphalt paving and crack sealing program for 2017 is expected to resume next week. The program is a key part of the Town’s commitment to the ongoing maintenance and continued improvement of municipal roadways and infrastructure.

Border Paving plans to be in town over the next several weeks completing work that may result in road closures and traffic controls at locations listed below. Border Paving initially began work on Ponoka’s 2017 asphalt paving program in June but redirected its paving crews to other communities until after the Ponoka Stampede. Those crews are now returning to complete paving projects in Ponoka.

Milling and Paving on a Portion of 50 Street

In addition to the locations listed below, milling and paving work is planned on 50 Street in Downtown Ponoka (from 48 Ave. to 50 Ave.). That portion of 50 Street will be milled to remove the top layer and replaced with new asphalt overlay (3,104 square metres).

For details about road and lane closures that may be required to accommodate asphalt paving work this summer, please visit the Roadwork and Traffic Notification chart on the Town website at www.ponoka.ca. The chart will be updated with notifications of lane and road closures as information becomes available.

Below is a list of paving and road repair locations approved for completion this summer:

Asphalt paving (minimal base repair)

- 57 Ave. (near 6004) – 15 square metres
- 57 Ave. (near 6006) – 33 square metres
- 55 Ave. (near 6409) – 220 square metres
- 47 Ave. Cr. (near 5503) – 18 square metres
- 52 St. & 46 Ave. (from corner to 4501) – 1,000 square metres
- 44 Ave. & 52 St. (5018 at front of and around manhole) – 30 square metres
- 61 Ave. & 51 St. (west side of intersection) – 60 square metres
- 44 St. (3642) – 192 square metres
- 45 A St. & 40 Ave. (north of stop sign near 3912/3911) – 935 square metres
- 52 Ave. (5018) – 36 square metres
- 51 Ave. (5226) – 44 square metres
- 54 St. & 51 Ave. (intersection) – 28 square metres
- 46 Ave. (west of 50 St.) – 220 square metres
- 51 St. (alley between 50 Ave. & 49 Ave.) – 21 square metres
- 53 Ave. & 50 St. – 117 square metres



- 53 Ave. & 51 St. – 169 square metres
- 60 St. & 51 Ave. – 64 square metres
- 39 Ave. Close – 170 square metres

Asphalt paving (deep base repair – includes 450 mm base replacement/repair)

- 54 Ave. & 61 St. – 480 square metres
- 54 Ave. & 60 St. – 230 square metres
- 61 Ave. (East of 54 St.) – 175 square metres
- Airport taxiway extension (place 450 mm base, shape, compact and pave) – 4,030 square metres

Paving repairs originally scheduled for 51 St. (from 63 Ave. to Highway 2) have been postponed following a review of existing conditions at that location, which revealed a more detailed survey will be required to ensure that portion of the street can be properly repaired.

Ponoka Airport Taxiway Extension

The Ponoka Airport taxiway extension will also be completed over the coming weeks. The taxiway extension is Phase 1 of the Ponoka Industrial Airport Expansion Plan, for which funding was approved by Town Council last fall. The taxiway extension is needed to service four airport lots that are currently being leased and are serviced by temporary grass taxiways. The extended taxiway will also allow for the creation of several new lots for more hangars at the airport. “The taxiway extension will help promote the future sale of those lots and open the door to further economic development at the airport,” says Ponoka Mayor Rick Bonnett.

The cost of this year’s paving and crack sealing services, including the Airport taxiway extension, is \$565,762.75. The contract was awarded to Border Paving following a competitive public procurement process this spring.

Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Repairs

Curb, gutter and sidewalk repairs approved for 2017 will also continue throughout Ponoka over the coming weeks. The Town of Ponoka Operations Department completes regular inspections of roadways, sidewalks and curbs throughout Ponoka each spring and fall to identify and prioritize repairs that are needed each year. To report a roadway or sidewalk that may be in need of repair, please phone 403-783-0159.

Motorists are asked to drive with caution and observe road signs in construction zones this summer. If you have questions, please call 403-783-0159.

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