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Resolution 2024-19: Municipal Highway Infrastructure

Background:

WHEREAS all municipalities in the Province of Ontario are experiencing significant financial and budgetary pressures including those related to infrastructure development, maintenance, and repairs, and are seeking reasonable solutions to address the same while balancing their budgets; and

WHEREAS the uploading of municipal highway infrastructure to the Province of Ontario or, alternatively, appropriately increasing the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to Ontario municipalities will assist municipalities in addressing such financial challenges.

Recommendation:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT NOMA urge the Province of Ontario to:

- 1. Upload from local municipalities the responsibility of and costs associated with the continued construction, operation, and maintenance of major municipally owned highways throughout the Province of Ontario to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation; or
- 2. Alternatively, if uploading is not the preferred option of the province and/or local municipality, to appropriately increase the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to municipalities so as to fairly and equitably allocate resources to Ontario municipalities.

Moved By: Lisa Teeple, Councillor of Emo

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