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2007 REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors
Ozaukee County, Wisconsin

The annual report of the County Highway Commissioner for the year 2007, as required by Section 83.01(7) of the Wisconsin Statutes, is presented for your consideration.

This report includes a summarized statement of expenditures for 2007, including County Highway Maintenance, Building Outlay, New Equipment and Highway Construction Projects. A complete inventory of equipment, materials and a detailed accounting of all expenditures is available as a separate document.

Highway Department Mission Statement

The Ozaukee County Highway Department seeks to provide and maintain the highest quality transportation system possible, one that balances the desires of County taxpayers for safety, speed and efficiency, and to provide for it in a fiscally responsible manner.

The Ozaukee County Highway Department is fully equipped to provide complete maintenance and construction services for the transportation system in Ozaukee County. Working under contract to the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation, services are provided to maintain 27 miles of Interstate Highway and 64 miles of State Trunk Highways running through the County. The Highway Department also is responsible for maintaining 152 miles of County Trunk Highways, and through intergovernmental agreements, provides service to Townships, maintaining 203 of the 268 total miles of Town Roads in the County.

Construction activities in 2007 included several projects. The significant State project was the reconstruction work on STH 167 (Mequon Road) in the City of Mequon. That work included removal of the existing asphalt wearing surface and extensive base patching of the concrete base, followed by installation of the new asphalt overlay wearing surface. Final follow up work, including some added signage and landscaping will be completed in 2008. In addition, this project included the first 800' of CTH W (Port Washington Road) north of STH 167. The planning for future major projects continues. Planning for the balance of the STH

33 project, from I-43 east to Summit Drive in the city of Port Washington is underway, with construction scheduled for 2009. In 2008, the DOT is planning on installing an asphalt surface overlay on STH 33 between Newburg and Saukville.

Several County Road projects were completed. Utilizing Hazard Elimination funding, the long awaited CTH I project between STH 33 and Cedar Sauk Road was completed. This project included the relocation of the CTH I and STH 33 intersection to improve alignment and visibility. County forces completed a number of notable projects. Crews completed hot mix asphalt overlays, including paved shoulders, on CTH Y from CTH NN Knollwood in the Townships of Cedarburg and Saukville. In addition, CTH V was reconstructed in Grafton from Arrowhead Road to the I-43 access ramps. Extensive chip seal with boiler slag projects were also completed. Department crews also performed paving, chip sealing and reconstruction projects for the Townships, including Cedarburg, Belgium, Port Washington, Saukville, Fredonia and Grafton. Construction of the new shop addition to our Waubeka facility was completed and provides locker room space, a lunch room and foreman's office at that facility, along with safe drinking water and a new holding tank.

County forces had another successful year in the production of hot mix asphalt material. In 2007, a total of about 38,300 tons were produced, about the same amount as the 38,395 produced in 2006. In addition, the County crushed 29,042 tons of gravel from material obtained from the 159-acre site, known as the Guenther parcel. This amount of gravel was produced in order to supplement the County's stockpile of material and prepares us for our 2008 activities.

Looking ahead to 2009, DOT is planning an overlay of STH 33 between Newburg and Saukville as well as repaving of STH 181 in Mequon between Mequon Road and Pioneer Road in 2010. Also for 2010, intersection improvements to Western and Wauwatosa and Bridge and Wauwatosa Roads are planned.

Having finalized an agreement with Mequon regarding Pioneer Road and Port Washington Road, County crews will be reconstructing Pioneer Road between Green Bay Road and Klug Lane in 2008. Following that work, Mequon will convey the jurisdiction of their half of Pioneer Road in order to make Pioneer Road a full County Trunk Highway between Green Bay Road and Lake Michigan. This agreement also provides for fully funding the CTH W project between STH 167 and Glen Oaks in Mequon. Construction work on that project is planned for 2009. Rebidding of the I-43 interurban bike trail project is planned for 2008 with construction in 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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