#### MANITOBA INFRASTRUCTURE STANDARD AGREEMENTS

April 14, 2021



#### Overview

- Working Group
- Gravel Road Agreements
   Rate Review Process
   Agreement Review
- Noxious Weed Control
   Agreement Development
- Looking to the Future!

# **Working Group**

- Continue to build relationship with AMM
- 2 AMM members and 3 MI staff
  - Nick Krawetz Director of Policy and Communications
  - Morris Olafson BoD Central District, Reeve RM of Stanley
  - □ Tara Liske A/Executive Director of Regional Operations
  - Jeremy Harrison Operations Support Manager
  - □ AI Moody Special Projects
- Meeting bi-weekly since January 2021
   4 meetings thus far, and will continue as required

#### **Gravel Road Agreements**

#### History

- Started in 1997
- Original rate calculations
- Hands off approach
- Over the years...
  - Minor increases
  - Very little changed in the agreements
- Service Delivery Review

### **Gravel Road Agreements**

- Acknowledge that rates need to be updated
  - Extensive review:
    - Internal rates
    - Several scenarios
    - Lost some local rate knowledge
- Updated Agreement template (expectations and reporting)
- Discussed options in the working group
  - Found transparent, practical and consistent approach

### **Gravel Road Agreements**

- "Binned" our network into three categories based on Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT)
  - Category A: AADT > 250
  - Category B: AADT 250 to 100
  - Category C: AADT <100</p>
  - Developed rates for each category
    - Category A = \$3,700
    - Category B = \$2,800
    - Category C = \$2,000
- 1 year, interim then consider multi-year
- Most importantly, Agreements are <u>voluntary</u>

### **Noxious Weed Control**

#### Background

- Noxious Weed Act
- Started in late 80's, built relationships but lost knowledge
- 2019 approach

#### Finding a Path Forward

- 2019 Working Group
  - Mike Dola Rockwood Rosser Weed District Supervisor and President MWSA
  - Andrew Lewis Southwest Weed District Supervisory
  - Al Moody MI Special Projects
- Regain knowledgeable ownership and relationships

### **Noxious Weed Control**

Agreement Template

 Increased accountability/reporting
 Increased MI oversite

- Constrained by available funding
  - □ Iterative process
- Encourages a cooperative approach
- Most importantly, Agreements are voluntary

### **Noxious Weed Control**

- Timing for this year
- Annual Agreements
- Appreciation!

# Looking into the Future

- Continue to partner with AMM
- Focus will be on the two agreements
- Look at other services to gauge interest
- Build on strengthening communication
  - Established point of contact for Agreements
  - Bring forward new items through AMM/MI Working Group
- Work together for all Manitobans!

#### Thank you for your time and this opportunity

