

TEAM HIGHWAY 11 NORTH

MEETING MINUTES

Location: Dymond Hall
181 Drive-In Theatre Road, New Liskeard
Date/Time: Monday, June 12, 2023 - 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Meeting TEAM Attendees:

- Kristin Franks – MTO Operations
- Herb Villneff – MTO Operations
- Vero Fillion – MTO Communications Coordinator
- Jeff Lafferiere – Mayor Temiskaming Shores
- Peter Jurashtchuk – MTO Transportation Safety Division
- Todd Fullerton, MTO Transportation Safety Division
- Junaid Asghar – MTO Highway Operations
- Raymond Hong – MTO Project Delivery
- Doug Bender – Mayor Black River-Matheson
- Dan O'Mara – Mayor, Municipality of Temagami
- Michael Maville - OPP
- Tyler Croxall – OPP
- Mark Wilson – Councillor Temiskaming Shores
- Mitchell McCrank – Temiskaming Shores
- Michael Paul, Temagami First Nation - Virtually

Meeting Minutes:

Welcome (Kristin Franks)

- Kristin Franks welcomed everyone to the TEAM Highway 11 North Working Group meeting.
- Round table introductions of all team members and meeting attendees.

Review Mandate and Terms of Reference (Kristin Franks)

- Kristin Franks presented what the mandate/goal is from this working group
 - Identify specific safety areas of concerns
 - Discuss potential mitigating measure or enhancements/improvements
 - Identify potential public education opportunities
- Open discussion on whether we should open the group to the entire Highway 11 corridor, or to keep it as is:
 - Dan and Doug mention they are good either way (split the group in 2 vs have a larger group with all municipalities)
 - Issues are similar, but distance/logistics may be a concern
 - Kristin mentions to keep the group as is and build a second working group to align with NEOMA boundaries.
- OPP explains how they cannot provide input on specific municipal issues (more provincial input). The MTO and OPP team should be working with appropriate regional municipalities. Our Northwest colleagues will work with municipalities in that region.
- Dan would like to continue with two meetings a year.
- Dan mentions possibly adding public works to our meeting invitees
 - Kristin mentioned adding more staff as guests when agenda items calls for their expertise

Review Minutes from 2022 (Kristin Franks)

- Kristin Franks reviewed the minutes from the November 2022 meeting and provided an update on the status of the action items from that meeting.

Action Item Number	Description	Action By:	Current Status
001-01	Municipal Representatives to look into potential Truck Rest Area Locations to possibly partner with MTO on future developments of TRA's.	Municipalities	Ongoing

<p>001-06</p>	<p>Mayor George Lefebvre – Town of Latchford</p> <p>MTO to look into possibility of providing bear proof garbage container for town use.</p> <p>MTO to look into possibility of assisting with parking lot grading in municipal lot adjacent to Highway 11 near Cosens Street.</p>	<p>MTO (Operations)</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-01</p>	<p>MTO to provide OPP with a contact to support highway clearing during highway closures at the next planned meeting between MTO and OPP.</p>	<p>MTO</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-02</p>	<p>MTO to invite Transportation Safety Division to next meeting to discuss commercial motor vehicle safety, training, and enforcement.</p>	<p>MTO</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-03</p>	<p>Municipality of Temagami to provide documentation regarding proposed sign locations to MTO for permitting purposes.</p>	<p>Municipality of Temagami</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-04</p>	<p>MTO to confirm process regarding proposed pedestrian walkway and schedule meeting with Municipality of Temagami separately to discuss process and next steps.</p>	<p>MTO</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-05</p>	<p>MTO to provide Mayor O'Mara with messaging used by ministry to describe efforts to address invasive phragmites constituents.</p>	<p>MTO</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>002-06</p>	<p>MTO to discuss use of Latchford municipality property as snow plow turnaround with contractor and update Mayor Lefebvre directly.</p>	<p>MTO</p>	<p>Complete</p>

002-07	MTO to determine jurisdiction over depressed storm sewer covers and provide an update to Mayor Lefebvre.	MTO	Complete
002-08	MTO to provide Mayor Lefebvre with most recent available traffic count data.	MTO	Complete
002-09	MTO to schedule separate meeting with City of Temiskaming Shores to discuss cost sharing of traffic lights.	MTO	Ongoing *Update still required*
002-10	MTO to ensure Temagami First Nation receives regular communication regarding 2+1 pilot environmental assessment process as it progresses.	MTO	Ongoing

MTO Highway Maintenance Update (Junaid)

- Junaid provided an update with winter maintenance for the area. Junaid provided an update on the Highway 11/17 pilot where bare pavement requirements have been changed from 16 hours to 12 hours
- In new Contractor Directed Maintenance Contract (CDMC) MTO quantified the equipment that the contractor must bring out
- Spring cleanup is currently underway
- Education management is underway for phragmites and invasive species
- Safety concerns with brushing by the highway was brought up; clearing from the ditch line within all of MTO ROW (it’s being looked at; part of the maintenance contract for certain areas) to address overgrowth, sightlines and invasive species.

2+1 Model Update (Raymond Hong)

- Raymond Hong provided an update on the 2+1 Model pilot
- Posted the RFP in November 2022 for detailed design with preliminary design component
- Service provider for the design will start in late July, for both locations
- Construction predicted to start in 2025/26 pending approvals

Capital Construction Update (Raymond Hong)

- Raymond Hong provided an update on capital construction projects and went over status of major capital projects
 - 2+1 Highway Pilot Project

- New rest areas: North of Highway 64/11 (design spring 2024, construction 2024/25), 631/11, 65/11, upgrading facilities north of SSM and Agawa – These will be 24/7 facilities with building, washroom and elective vehicle plugins

Presentation on Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety and Enforcement (Peter Jurashtchuk)

- Peter provided updates from the enforcement branch, its role, safety standards, new technology and regulatory requirements
- They have been doing a lot of speed reduction monitoring in the area for commercial vehicles

OPP Update (Tyler Croxall, Michael Maville)

- OPP give a general highway/policing safety update

Roundtable and Open Discussion

Representative – City of Temiskaming Shores

- No additional items to bring up

Representative – Temagami

- Walkway – Kristin will meet with Dan separately on this

Representative – Black River, Matheson

- Applied for a reduced speed on 101 from 60km to 50km

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting:

- Fall meeting to be held in New Liskeard in October

Action Item Summary Table – June 2023 Action Items

Action Item Number	Description	Action By:	Current Status
001-01	Mitch will send agreement for sidewalk Highway 65 East and West to Highway 11 to Herb and Junaid to see if MTO shares responsibility for maintenance	Temiskaming	Ongoing
002-02	MTO will follow up with Temagami/Dan on boat wash station and floating sidewalks	MTO	Ongoing
002-09	MTO will send new rest stop designs with group when available	MTO	Ongoing
002-10	OPP will give the group highway 11 accidents/fatality stats at next meeting	OPP	Ongoing
002-11	Kristin will follow up with Doug and/or municipality on reduced speed from 60km to 50km in Black River Matheson and entrances/proposed development	MTO	Ongoing