

COUNTY ROAD AND EQUIPMENT REPORT

July, 2025

New this month:

The crew is working on the completion of the Oyler Road Project. Bids will be let for the grant funded pavement at the end of August. We expect the new asphalt to be laid by the end of October.

We are applying for a grant for a new cone-style crusher. This is a heavy lift and the odds are against us, but we are going to try! The total grant ask will be approx. \$1.5 million.

MAINTENANCE:

Trying to catch up on equipment repairs. Tariffs have created a bottleneck with the supply chain for many of our parts. When tariffs were being discussed, many supplies were hoarded before the tariffs were put into place creating a temporary supply shortage.

GRANT PROJECTS:

The Rabbit Ridge/Bricky Road low water crossing grant has been approved. The total value of this grant is just under \$1,000,000.00

Work is proceeding on the Oyler Road Grant. Base is still being applied for the grant to come behind us and pave as far as the grant funds will take the asphalt. The award to the county is \$500,000.00 with VBC providing match in the form of base rock, equipment, labor and gravel. Total project value is \$1,500,000.00.

Lake Cliff Road Bridge Project – Federal Grant application submitted and looks promising. Total price tag of approx. \$1 million. The feasibility study has been ordered.

Scotland Bridge Project - -- Feasibility Study was completed. Waiting for further word. Federal Grant application submitted and looks promising. Total price tag of approx. \$1 million.

Archey Road Bridge Project – State and Federal Aid funded, County pays 2%. Total price tag of approx. \$1.5 million.

The Feasibility Study is begun on the Shirley Bridge Grant. The value of the new bridge will be approx. \$3 million.

FEMA reimbursement for the declared disaster – Reimbursements can take a very long time to receive. I hope to receive \$150,000 - \$175,000. Governor Sanders approved the disaster on May 9, 2024 and VBC is listed as an approved county. After submitting all the required paperwork, we received a book for each impacted road to be completed. We are still waiting for the reimbursement.