



## Jochem Road Traffic Study

Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal

# Existing Road Characteristics

Rural, Hard Surface Roadway

Average Road Width of Approximately 6.1 m

Minimal Existing Shoulders

No Posted Speed Limit

No Major Horizontal or Vertical Curves

## 7-Day Traffic Study Findings (July 2-8, 2024)

#### Average Traffic Volume of 269 Vehicles Per Day

Peak daily volume of 388 vehicles per day (Thursday). Peak hourly volumes mid-day.

#### High Percentage of Heavy Truck Traffic – 40-60%

- Anticipated to be from adjacent quarry on Smith Road
- Not the case everyday, generally specific to weekdays

#### Average Vehicle Operating Speed – 60-70 km/h

- Speeds observed were generally consistent with other roadways posted 60 km/h
- Some isolated instances of speeding

## Design Manuals and Recommendations

- The following existing characteristics of Jochem Road were review with the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) Geometric Design Guidelines for Canadian Roads.
  - Lane width
  - Shoulder Width

## Recommended Lane Width

Table 4.2.1:Through Lane Widths – Rural Roadways (Design Hour Directional Volume <=450)

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Design Speed (km/h)	Practical Lower Limit	Recommended Lower Limit	Recommended Upper Limit	Practical Upper Limit
60 and less	2.7m	3.0m	3.7m	4.0m
70 to 100	3.3m	3.5m	3.7m	4.0m
110 and higher	3.5m	3.5m	3.7m	4.0m

1. Where buses and larger trucks are expected to regularly use a lane, a minimum lane width of 3.3m is recommended regardless of the design speed or traffic volume.

## Recommended Shoulder Width

Table 4.4.1: Shoulder Widths for Undivided Rural Roads (m)<sup>15</sup>

	Designation and Design Hour Directional Volume							
Design	Rural	Collector			Arterial			
Speed (km/h)	Local	Design Hour Directional Volume			Design Hour Directional Volume			
		<250	250-450	>450	<450	>450		
60	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5				
70	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5				
80	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.0		
90	1.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.0		
100	1.0	2.5	2.5	3.0	2.5	3.0		
110					2.5	3.0		
120					3.0	3.0		
130					3.0	3.0		

#### Overview of Recommendations

- The existing road platform, along with the heavy truck traffic, is likely causing discomfort for other road users both pedestrians and other drivers.
- During future reconstruction, it is recommended to widen road platform to provide 3.3 m lanes.
- If space permits, include 1.0 m shoulders in reconstruction plans.
- Future reconstruction should include two lifts of asphalt, as surface treatment is susceptible to damage from heavy vehicles.

Questions and Report Discussion

