

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL ACTION ITEM

Committee: Committee of the Whole - Public Works, Environmental Services/ Facilities

Date: July 19, 2021

Department: Public Works

Topic: SNC - Use of Unopened Road Allowance - Forest Operations

Purpose: To bring forward a request from South Nation Conservation to use and access an unopened road allowance for Timber harvest operations.

Background: SNC is looking to access their property along the unmaintained portion of Pittdale Road east of County Rd. 22 to conduct Timber harvest operations. See attached memorandum dated June 30, 2021. The plan would include the installation of a temporary culvert off the unopened road allowance that would allow logging trucks to enter and exit through this route.

Harvest operations are required to be completed by March 2023.

Policy Implications: By-Law 2015-52 establishes a policy on the use of unopened road allowances. The purpose of the policy is to protect the Township from demands that such unopened road allowances be improved and maintained at the expense of the general ratepayers of the municipality.

Financial Considerations: Any work or costs associated would be at SNC expense.

Recommendation: That Committee recommends that Council approve the request for use of unopened road allowance by SNC to conduct Timber harvest operations and direct staff to develop an agreement with SNC stipulating the conditions for use.

Director of Operations

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