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**ATTN: Jennifer Moore**  
**Chief Administrative Officer**  
**Northumberland County**

We are writing to County Council to request a 3 week road closure due to an usual construction issue at a new housing development project in Cobourg on Brook Road North.

A section of sanitary sewer line to be constructed under the south bound lane (west side) of Brook Road North is very deep, from 6m to 9m deep, (20ft to 30ft deep). It is not a long section, about 200m (650ft), but because of the depth it will take nearly 3 weeks to construct.

The original plan worked out with Tribute Homes and the County staff called for one lane to remain open during construction (as the County would normally request) but from a constructability perspective it would be much safer for the general public and especially for our workers if this section of sewer could be installed during a full road closure. This is an extremely deep trench to install in one lane while the other lane remains open to traffic, even if a barrier is placed between the two lanes.

We have a great deal of construction experience and we would not make this big request lightly without significant thought put into alternatives.

Also, another issue is timing, we are coming into the fall of the year and it is a race to get asphalt paving work done before winter sets in.

Obviously having the full road closure is not only much safer but also allows the work to be completed much more quickly to avoid cold weather paving. The full closure would allow the project to be completed by late October whereas the option of keeping one lane open will push completion to late November.

As far as traffic detours, signage and notifications are concerned we are very accustomed to dealing with all of these issues as we deal with these issues on a daily basis.

If you have questions or require further information please contact me.

Best Regards,



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