
**A By-law to Transfer Ownership of and Jurisdiction over the
Thompson Bridge from the Corporation of the County of
Northumberland to the Corporation of the Municipality of Trent Hills**

Whereas Section 11 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides broad authority to municipalities to pass by-laws respecting certain matters, subject to certain restrictions, including by-laws respecting public assets, highways, and structures; and

Whereas Subsection 52(4) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides an upper-tier municipality may remove a highway, including a boundary line highway, from its system; and

Whereas Subsection 52(5) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 provides that if a highway is removed from an upper-tier highway system, it is under jurisdiction of the lower-tier municipality in which the highway is located; and

Whereas the Municipality of Trent Hills is a lower-tier municipality forming part of the County of Northumberland, which is an upper-tier municipality; and

Whereas the County of Northumberland is presently the owner of Thompson Bridge, a public structure including the 30 m of roadway in each direction from the end of the deck, located on Skinkle Road, approximately 1.55 km north of County Road 29 in the Municipality of Trent Hills, located in lot 24 concession 4 of Trent Hills, forming a part of PIN 51189-0051; and

Whereas the County has recently completed the replacement of the Thompson Bridge to restore the bridge back to good condition and the County deems it appropriate and necessary to transfer the ownership of and jurisdiction over Thompson Bridge to restore connectivity to the Municipality of Trent Hills' road network; and

Now Therefore Be It Enacted as a by-law of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Northumberland as follows:

1) **That** Thompson Bridge, a public structure including the 30 m of roadway in each direction from the end of the deck, located on Skinkle Road, approximately 1.55 km north of County Road 29 in the Municipality of Trent Hills, located in lot 24 concession 4 of Trent Hills, and forming a part of PIN 51189-0051; is hereby transferred to the Municipality of Trent Hills and added to the Municipality's highway system.

2) **That** this By-law shall come into force and take effect on October 16, 2024.

That By-law No. XX-2024 be introduced and be deemed to be read a first, second and third time and passed, signed and sealed this 16th day of October 2024.

Brian Ostrander, Warden

Cheryl Sanders, Deputy Clerk