Concession 14 E Brant
• The purpose of our delegation is to bring to the attention of Brockton Council that Concession 14 E of former Brant township between County Road 19 and County Road 10 is in terrible condition, and long overdue to be repaired.
Condition of Concession 14

• The road base appears to be inadequate for the amount of farm and truck traffic. Increasing weights and traffic volumes have exacerbated the issues.

• When it’s dry the road is filled with potholes

• The township has been diligent in grading the road frequently to try to deal with the potholes, but in only 1-2 weeks, or the next time it rains, the potholes are back
Condition of Concession 14

• When the weather is wet the road gets very soft - sometimes to the point of ruts 6 - 8” deep. In certain areas, the road can be dangerous for cars and light trucks
Road gets extremely soft
Large puddles, water sitting
Wheel tracks make deep ruts
Edge of the road is very soft
Potholes and washboard
Concession 14 Serves:

- 24 full time residences (20 on Con 14, and 4 on side roads served by Con 14)
- 1 part time residence
- 1 School
- 1 Historic landmark
- 14 large businesses operate directly on Con 14
- At least additional 5 businesses that rely on using the road frequently
- Access road for over 2000 acres of crop land
• Concession 14 serves many businesses that are important economic drivers in the Municipality.

• Residents rely on having a safe road to commute to work and go about everyday routines.

• The road is a vital piece of infrastructure that these businesses rely on to operate every day.

• Some Examples:
Feed Depot and Harness Shop

Livestock Trucking, Buying and Selling

Sow, Cattle and Crop farm, Roofing business

St. Michael Church Remains Historic site, tourist attraction
Large Cattle Feedlot and Crop Farm

Large Multi-Family Turkey, Crop, Custom Farming Operation

Amish School - kids commuting Twice every day

Cattle and crop Farm
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Large Multi-Family Cattle And Crop Farm

Large Dairy, Crop, Custom Farming Operation. At least 5 full time, 5 Part time employees

Sow and Cattle Farm
These business rely on vehicles and heavy trucks and equipment travelling the road several times a day for transportation of products. Some examples are:

- feed, bedding, fuel, livestock in and out, additives, milk and other commodities produced, parts deliveries, employees commuting, fertilizer, pesticides, seed, manure, crops and crop residue sold, customers, salespeople and all the equipment to raise and harvest crops.
Concerns- **SAFETY**

- Vehicles are hard to control pounding through potholes and washboard
- In the winter potholes are hidden under the snow, and combined with slippery conditions makes for especially dangerous driving
- When roads are soft, wheels sink in up to 8” deep, vehicles very hard to control
- Road continues to squeeze out wider every year making a false shoulder that will collapse if driven on
Concerns- COST TO RESIDENTS

• Pounding over the rough road is extremely hard on the wheels, suspension frame etc. of vehicles and equipment, makes for costly repairs

• The constant buildup of dirt and debris off the road on vehicles and equipment causes things to rust out quickly

• Poor road conditions deter potential customers, and slow down productivity of farms and businesses that need to haul products in and out, putting them at competitive disadvantage
Concerns- **WASTED SPENDING**

- Every year a lot of tax payers dollars are spent on trying to maintain a road that appears to have a systemic problem.
- Graders are working frequently to try to keep the road smooth, as well as gravel put on every 2\textsuperscript{nd} summer. The money spent seems like a poor investment considering the road still ends up in terrible shape
The residents, farms and businesses on the 14th concession have been very patient for the past 10 plus years while being told many times that this work would be scheduled in the future. The time has come to rebuild this road we depend on to carry out our business every day.
Request from residents of Concession 14

- That Brockton Council immediately begin the reconstruction of this 5 miles of road. We request that a schedule be set up of rebuilding (1) 2 km block per year for the next 4 years. Furthermore we request that the 2 km section rebuilt one year be paved the following year. This seems to be reasonable as this is the practice that has been carried out on other concessions in the township.
Thank you for your time and consideration on this important matter. We trust that action will be taken to bring the road up to modern standards to provide the residents, businesses and users of Concession 14 with a safe road that keeps our businesses competitive and allows for continued economic growth and output.