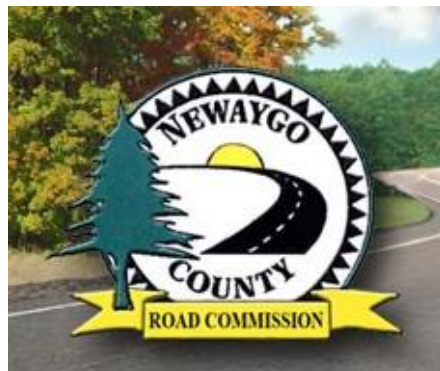


GET TOGETHER OVER CHIPS! THE TRI-COUNTY CHIP SEAL PROJECT



Partnerships Are Like Battleships

Ionia, Montcalm & Newaygo County Road Commission
Chip Seal Partnership

Cooperation and Communication = Success



Cost Savings to Partners

Materials are bid in large groups

Aggregates bidding group includes

- Ionia County Road Commission
- Kent County Road Commission
- Montcalm County Road Commission
- Newaygo County Road Commission
- Ottawa County Road Commission
- Various Other Municipalities

Emulsions bids are lower when buying larger quantities

No sales tax is paid on materials



Cost Savings to Partners

Audit to Cost

Partners pay actual equipment and labor costs

10% to 20% savings over a contractor

Shared equipment utilized to the fullest



Quality Control

More Control Over Project Timeline

Maintain Flexible Schedule Between Counties

Work Flow Management

No Push From Contractors



Quality Control

Flexibility During Poor Weather Conditions



Quality Control

Employees Take Pride and Ownership

Employees Want the Overtime

Appropriate Use of Materials

Minimize Excess Material Usage



Education

What are we doing?
Why are we doing it?

Why are we working in other counties?

Elected Appointed/Officials

Road Commissioners
Township Officials

Employees

Allows hiring additional staff
Improves winter service level

Public

Working with others to improve efficiencies
Maximizing use of equipment and labor



Best Use of Michigan Tax Payer Dollars



Questions

