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Newaygo County Road Commission honored with statewide IMPRESS award!

LANSING, MI – The Newaygo County Road Commission (NCRC) received a statewide IMPRESS Award at the 2023 County Road Association (CRA) Highway Conference held March 22 in Lansing. IMPRESS Awards recognize county road agencies that demonstrate innovation on notable projects in the categories of Communications, Operations and Collaboration.



This year, NCRC received an IMPRESS award in Collaboration for its “*Let Us Dispose of Your Household Hazardous Waste, Used Tires!*” project.

Using an EGLE grant, the Newaygo County Road Commission, Newaygo County Drain Commission and the Newaygo County Board of Public Works joined forces to collect household hazardous waste and used tires from residents in 2022. The event collected 2,469 tires and hauled them to a Michigan scrap tire processor. More than 37,840 pounds of hazardous waste was collected and properly discarded.

“Newaygo County Road Commission’s successful teamwork shows their dedication to serving county residents,” said Denise Donohue, CRA CEO. “This innovative project is just one of the many ways road commissions are constantly working to function more efficiently in their communities.”

An independent panel of communications and operations experts from several of Michigan’s 83 county road agencies judged all IMPRESS Awards submissions. Award recipients were honored for projects that solved time constraints, labor costs, communication barriers and fostered collaboration.

The 83 members of the County Road Association of Michigan represent the unified voice for a safe and efficient county transportation infrastructure system in Michigan, including appropriate stewardship of the public’s right-of-way in rural and urban Michigan. Collectively, Michigan’s county road agencies manage 75% of all roads in the state, including 90,000 miles of roads and 5,700 bridges. County road agencies also maintain the state’s highway system in 63 counties. Michigan has the nation’s fourth-largest local road system.

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