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INFORMATION UPDATE

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Re:	RHVP -- Update (RHVP-06-04)		

We wish to provide the following update regarding Red Hill.

As you are aware, the granular processed from the escarpment cut was slated to be used as a base for the Parkway. Yesterday, staff shared with the Parkway Implementation Committee that recent testing of that granular indicates the shale content has broken down to a point where it would not sustain the wear and tear of traffic over the life of the asphalt. Where we can, we will be placing the material in areas where it is suitable such as shoulders, sewer trench backfill, etc. Further, we are investigating other options to use the material on other works within the City.

We do not anticipate any impact to the construction schedule or overall budget. However, the contingencies that were predicted to be available for financing the remaining Project works will need to be re-evaluated upon completion of the testing. At a worst case scenario, if none of the material is able to be salvaged, the result would be an impact of \$2.5 million to the contingencies of the Project.

Clearly using sub-standard granular is not an option on this Project and staff are currently examining ways to ensure that quality is not compromised.

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