# 2025 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN



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# **Executive Summary**

Municipal infrastructure provides the foundation for the economic, social, and environmental health and growth of a community through the delivery of services. The goal of asset management is to balance delivering critical services in a cost-effective manner. This involves the development and implementation of asset management strategies and long-term financial planning.

The overall replacement cost of the asset categories owned by Huron Shores total \$188.7 million. 59% of all assets analysed are in fair or better condition and assessed condition data was available for 95% of all assets. For the remaining assets, assessed condition data was unavailable, and asset age was used to approximate condition – a data gap that persists in most municipalities. Generally, age misstates the true condition of assets, making assessments essential to accurate asset management planning, and a recurring recommendation.

The development of a long-term, sustainable financial plan requires an analysis of whole lifecycle costs. Using a combination of proactive lifecycle strategies (roads) and replacement only strategies (all other assets) to determine the lowest cost option to maintain the current level of service, a sustainable financial plan was developed.

To meet capital replacement and rehabilitation needs for existing infrastructure, prevent infrastructure backlogs, and achieve long-term sustainability, and to maintain an average condition of good or Scenario 3, the Municipality's average annual capital requirement totals \$2.97 million. Based on a historical analysis of sustainable capital funding sources, the Municipality is committing approximately \$1.85 million towards capital projects or reserves per year. As a result, the Municipality is funding 62% of its annual capital requirements. This creates a total annual funding deficit of \$1.12 million.

Addressing annual infrastructure funding shortfalls is a difficult and long-term endeavour for municipalities. Considering the Municipality's current funding position, it will require many years to reach full funding for current assets. Short phase-in periods to meet these funding targets may place too high a burden on taxpayers too quickly, whereas a phase-in period beyond 20 years may see a continued deterioration of infrastructure, leading to larger backlogs.

To close annual deficits for capital contributions from tax revenues for asset needs, it is recommended the Municipality review the feasibility of implementing a 2.2% increase in revenues annually over a 10-year phase-in period, to be allocated to capital in addition to the \$1.85 million allocated. To

fund the longer-term goal of full lifecycle activities or Scenario 1 there would need to be an overall tax revenue increase of 37.9% which equates to a 5-year continuation of 2.2% per year.

In addition to annual needs, there is also an infrastructure backlog of \$4.2 million, comprising assets that remain in service beyond their estimated useful life. It is highly unlikely that all such assets are in a state of disrepair, requiring immediate replacements or full reconstruction. This makes targeted and consistent condition assessments integral to refining long-term replacement and backlog estimates.

Risk frameworks and levels of service targets can then be used to prioritize projects and help select the right lifecycle intervention for the right asset at the right time—including replacement or full reconstruction. The Municipality has developed preliminary risk models which are integrated with its asset register. These models can produce risk matrices that classify assets based on their risk profiles.

Most municipalities across Canada continue to struggle with meeting infrastructure demands. This challenge was created over many decades and will take many years to overcome. To this end, several recommendations should be considered, including:

- Continuous and dedicated improvement to the Municipality's infrastructure datasets, which form the foundation for all analysis, including financial projections and needs.
- Continuous refinements to the risk and lifecycle models as additional data becomes available. This will aid in prioritizing projects and creating more strategic long-term capital budgets.
- Development of key performance indicators for all infrastructure programs to establish benchmark data to calibrate levels of service.

The Municipality has taken important steps in building its asset management program, including developing a more complete and accurate asset register—a substantial initiative. Continuous improvement to this inventory will be essential in maintaining momentum, supporting long-term financial planning, and delivering affordable service levels to the community.

# **About this Document**

The Municipality of Huron Shores Asset Management Plan (AMP) was developed by PSD Citywide Ltd. in accordance with Ontario Regulation 588/17 ("O. Reg 588/17"). It contains a comprehensive analysis of the Municipality's infrastructure portfolio. This is a living document that should be updated regularly as additional asset and financial data becomes available.

#### **Ontario Regulation 588/17**

As part of the *Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015*, the Ontario government introduced Regulation 588/17 - Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure. Along with creating better performing organizations, more livable and sustainable communities, the regulation is a key, mandated driver of asset management planning and reporting. It places substantial emphasis on current and proposed levels of service and the lifecycle costs incurred in delivering them.

Figure 1 Ontario Regulation 588/17 Requirements and Reporting Deadlines

Requirement	2019	2022	2024	2025
1. Strategic Asset Management Policy	✓		✓	
2. Asset Management Plans		✓	✓	✓
State of infrastructure for core assets		✓		
State of infrastructure for all assets			✓	✓
Current levels of service for core assets		✓		
Current levels of service for all assets			✓	
Proposed levels of service for all assets				✓
Lifecycle costs associated with current levels of service		✓	✓	
Lifecycle costs associated with proposed levels of service				✓
Growth impacts		✓	✓	✓
Financial strategy				✓

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#### Scope

The scope of this document is to identify the current practices and strategies that are in place to manage public infrastructure and to make recommendations where they can be further refined. Through the implementation of sound asset management strategies, the Municipality can ensure that public infrastructure is managed to support the sustainable delivery of municipal services.

<b>Asset Category</b>	Source of Funding
Road Network	Tax Levy
Bridges & Culverts	Tax Levy
Storm Sewer Network	Tax Levy
Buildings	Tax Levy
Machinery & Equipment	Tax Levy
Vehicles	Tax Levy

#### **Limitations and Constraints**

The asset management program development required substantial effort by staff. It was developed based on best-available data, and is subject to the following broad limitations, constraints, and assumptions:

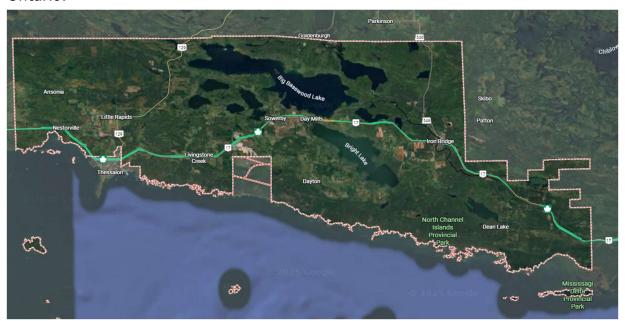
- The analysis is highly sensitive to several critical data fields, including an asset's estimated useful life, replacement cost, quantity, and in-service date. Inaccuracies or imprecisions in any of these fields can have substantial and cascading impacts on all reporting and analytics.
- User-defined and unit cost estimates, based typically on staff judgment, recent projects, or established through completion of technical studies, offer the most precise approximations of current replacement costs. When this isn't possible, historical costs incurred at the time of asset acquisition or construction can be inflated to present day. This approach, while sometimes necessary, can produce inaccurate estimates.
- The risk models are designed to support objective project prioritization and selection. However, in addition to the inherent limitations that all models face, they also require availability of important asset attribute data to ensure that asset risk ratings are valid, and assets are properly stratified within the risk breakdown. Missing attribute data can misclassify assets.

These limitations have a direct impact on most of the analysis presented, including condition summaries, age profiles, long-term replacement and rehabilitation forecasts, and shorter term, 10-year forecasts that are generated from the Municipality's primary asset management system.

These challenges are quite common and require long-term commitment and sustained effort by staff. As the Municipality's asset management program evolves and advances, the quality of future AMPs and other core documents that support asset management will continue to increase.

# **Community Profile**

The Municipality of Huron Shores is a single-tier municipality, part of the Algoma District, which is located along the North Channel of Lake Huron in Northern Ontario.



Huron Shores was incorporated on January 1, 1999, as part of a province-wide initiative in Ontario to streamline and strengthen local governance. This incorporation involved merging the Corporation of the Villages of Iron Bridge, The Corporation of the Township of Thessalon, The Corporation of the Township of Thompson, The Corporation of Townships of Day and Bright Additional, along with portions of the geographic township of Bright and the geographic township of Gladstone. The amalgamation aimed to reduce administrative costs and improve the delivery of services by consolidating smaller municipalities into larger, more financially viable entities.

The Municipality of Huron Shores is characterized by its expansive natural landscapes, which include a mix of forested areas, lakes, and a shoreline stretching along Lake Huron. This geographical diversity supports a variety of wildlife and offers various recreational opportunities, making it an attractive destination for outdoor enthusiasts. The Municipality benefits from its scenic routes, which are popular for hiking, biking, and scenic drives, particularly during the summer and fall seasons. Additionally, the area's historic sites and cultural landmarks enhance its rural charm.

Economic demand in Huron Shores is largely driven by tourism, particularly with visitors attracted to the area's natural settings and recreational opportunities. This boosts local businesses and seasonal industries. Additionally, real estate is a significant factor, as the scenic beauty and tranquility of the area draw people looking for vacation homes or peaceful permanent residences. The Municipality's focus on maintaining its environmental assets and quality of life also attracts retirees and families seeking a quieter lifestyle away from urban centers.

# **Inventory & Valuation**

The Municipality's inventory has an asset hierarchy of categories and segments as outlined below.

Table 1 Asset Classifications

	AM Category	AM Segment
Core	Roads Network	Asphalt Roads Gravel Roads Surface Treated Roads Streetlights
	Bridges and Culverts	Structural Culverts Non-Structural Culverts Bridges
	Storm Sewer System	Mains
Non-Core	Vehicles	General Government Planning and Development Protection Services Recreation and Cultural Services Transportation Services
	Machinery & Equipment	General Government Planning and Development Protection Services Recreation and Cultural Services Transportation Services
	Buildings	General Government Planning and Development Protection Services Recreation and Cultural Services Transportation Services

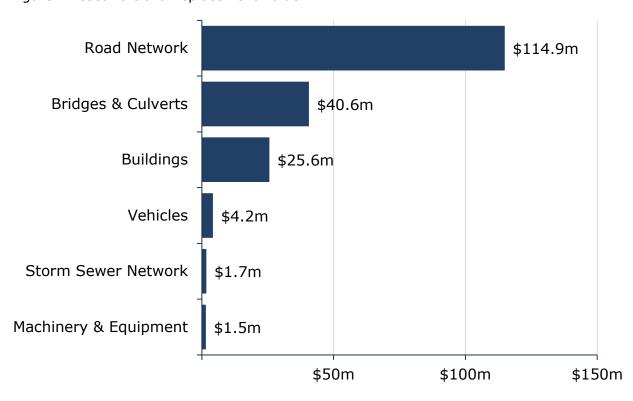
#### **State of the Infrastructure**

Asset Category	Replacement Cost	Asset Condition
Road Network	\$114,914,299	Fair (43%)
Bridges & Culverts	\$40,636,292	Fair (49%)
Storm Sewer Network	\$1,746,065	Very Good (90%)
Buildings	\$25,625,252	Good (71%)
Machinery & Equipment	\$1,545,601	Fair (48%)
Vehicles	\$4,242,879	Good (69%)
Overall	\$188,710,388	Fair (53%)

#### **Replacement Cost**

All Huron Shores' asset categories have a total replacement cost of \$188.7 million based on available inventory data. This total was determined based on a combination of user-defined costs and historical cost inflation. This estimate reflects the replacement of historical assets with similar, not necessarily identical, assets available for procurement today.

Figure 2 Asset Portfolio Replacement Value



# **Condition & Age**

#### **Condition of Asset Portfolio**

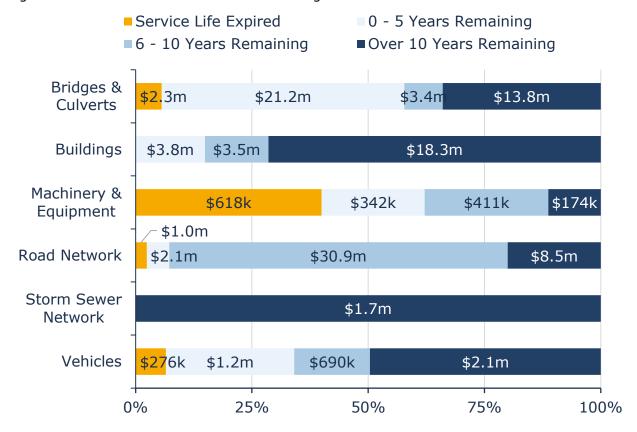
The current condition of the assets is central to all asset management planning. Collectively, 59% of assets in Huron Shores are in fair or better condition. This estimate relies on both age-based and field condition data.

Assessed condition data is available for the inventory in the road network, bridges and culverts as well as buildings; for the remaining portfolio, age is used as an approximation of condition. Assessed condition data is invaluable in asset management planning as it reflects the true condition of the asset and its ability to perform its functions.

#### **Service Life Remaining**

Based on asset age, available assessed condition data and estimated useful life, 3.6% of the Municipality's assets are beyond their service life. The figure below shows the service life remaining breakdown by asset category.

Figure 3 Asset Portfolio Service Life Remaining



# **Risk & Criticality**

#### **Qualitative Risk**

Huron Shores have noted key trends, challenges, and risks to service delivery that they are currently facing:



#### **Capital Funding Strategies**

Major capital rehabilitation and replacement projects are often entirely dependant on the availability of grant funding opportunities. When grants are not available, rehabilitation and replacement projects are often deferred.



#### **Lifecycle Management Strategies & Aging Infrastructure**

The current lifecycle management strategy for all asset categories is considered more reactive than proactive. It is a challenge to find the right balance between maintenance, capital rehabilitation, and the replacement of assets. Staff hope to develop better defined strategies that will extend asset lifecycles and result in a lower total cost to the Municipality.



#### **Climate Change & Extreme Weather**

Asset deterioration is accelerated due to extreme weather, which in some cases can cause unexpected failures. Freeze-thaw cycles, ice jams, and surface flooding from extreme rainfall have been experienced by the Municipality in recent years. These events make long-term planning difficult and can result in a lower level of service.



#### Growth

Growth is a lessor concern it is the changing demographics; rural community is changing to retirees and former city residents with different service expectations.

#### **Quantitative Risk**

The overall asset risk breakdown for Huron Shores asset inventory is portrayed in the figure below.

Figure 4 Overall Asset Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$14,465,812	\$15,901,894	\$9,505,317	\$22,829,667	\$53,496,077
(12%)	(14%)	(8%)	(20%)	(46%)

Reviewing the list of very high-risk assets to evaluate how best to mitigate the level of risk the Municipality is experiencing will help advance Huron Shores asset management program. Incorporating risk into asset lifecycle planning helps ensure that limited resources are allocated effectively, focusing on the assets that pose the greatest threat to service delivery and long-term financial sustainability.

# **Climate & Growth**

#### **Huron Shores Climate Profile**

The Municipality of Huron Shores is in Northern Ontario within the Algoma District. The Municipality is expected to experience notable effects of climate change which include higher average annual temperatures, an increase in total annual precipitation, and an increase in the frequency and severity of extreme events. According to Climatedata.ca – a collaboration supported by Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) – the Municipality of Huron Shores may experience the following trends:

#### **Higher Average Annual Temperature:**

- Between the years 1971 and 2000 the annual average temperature was 4.9
   °C
- Under a high emissions scenario, the annual average temperatures are projected to increase by 4.8 °C by the year 2050 and over 6.5 °C by the end of the century.

#### **Increase in Total Annual Precipitation:**

 Under a high emissions scenario, Huron Shores is projected to experience an 12% increase in precipitation by the year 2051 and a 16% increase by the end of the century.

#### **Increase in Frequency of Extreme Weather Events:**

- It is expected that the frequency and severity of extreme weather events will change.
- In some areas, extreme weather events will occur with greater frequency and severity than others especially those impacted by Great Lake winds.

#### **Lake Huron**

The Great Lakes are one of the largest sources of fresh water on earth, containing 21 percent of the world's surface freshwater. There are 35 million people living in the Great Lakes watershed and Lake Huron is the second largest of the Great Lakes. The area of Lake Huron Watershed is approximately 131,100 km². The physical impacts of climate change are most noticeable from: flooding, extreme weather events such as windstorms and tornados, and/or rising water levels eroding shorelines and natural spaces. Erosion and flooding pose a threat to the surrounding built infrastructure such as park assets, bridges, and roads.

Communities located in the Great Lakes region may experience more severe windstorms or tornados because of climate change, causing damage to both the natural and built environment.

Public health and safety depend on the stability and predictability of the ecosystem in the Great Lakes watershed. The quality of water is threatened by anthropogenic climate change because of blue-green algae blooms, soil erosion, and agricultural, stormwater, and wastewater runoff. The safety of the public is threatened by the physical impacts of flooding such as flooding and erosion. In some cases, homeowners located near the lakeshore are already at risk of losing their homes.

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#### **Impacts of Growth**

The demand for infrastructure and services will change over time based on a combination of internal and external factors. Understanding the key drivers of growth and demand will allow the Municipality to more effectively plan for new infrastructure, and the upgrade or disposal of existing infrastructure. Increases or decreases in demand can affect what assets are needed and what level of service meets the needs of the community.

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Census Characteristic <sup>1</sup>	<b>Huron Shores</b>	Ontario
Population 2021	1,860	14,223,942
Population Change 2016-2021	11.8%	5.8%
Total Private Dwellings	1,171	5,929,250
Population Density	4.1/km <sup>2</sup>	15.9/km²
Land Area	451.87 km <sup>2</sup>	892,411.76 km <sup>2</sup>

#### **Huron Shores Official Plan (December 2011)**

The purpose of the Official Plan for the Municipality of Huron Shores, approved with modifications on December 16, 2011, is to outline goals, objectives, policies, and implementation measures for development over the next 20 years, from 2007 to 2027. It aims to consider the impacts on the social, economic, and natural environments of the municipality. This plan serves as a comprehensive guide for sustainable community development, ensuring that growth is managed in a way that balances development needs with environmental preservation and social well-being.

The Official Plan focuses on maintaining an adequate land supply for diverse uses, providing a range of housing options to meet demographic needs, and designating land uses for optimal community benefit. It emphasizes servicing developments adequately with infrastructure and public services, protecting sensitive land uses from conflicts, and conserving natural heritage. Additionally, the plan promotes economic growth by supporting existing businesses and encouraging new small enterprises. It also includes environmental efforts to clean up and repurpose contaminated sites, ensuring growth is both balanced and sustainable.

The strategic approach detailed in Huron Shores' development guidelines concentrates growth within established settlement areas, along lakefronts, and in rural areas. This strategy is designed to leverage the existing infrastructure and public services to accommodate a stable or slightly growing population. By focusing development in these areas, the plan aims to enhance the community's resource base, expand outdoor recreational and tourism opportunities, and broaden the housing options available. This targeted growth approach helps maintain the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada. 2023. (table). Census Profile. 2021 Census of Population. Statistics Canada Catalogue no. 98-316-X2021001. Ottawa. Released November 15, 2023. <a href="https://www12.statcan.gc.ca">https://www12.statcan.gc.ca</a> /census-ecensement/2021/dp-pd/prof/index.cfm?Lang=E (accessed September 7, 2024).

Municipality's rural character while ensuring that development is both manageable and sustainable, preventing unplanned sprawl and maximizing the use of land already supported by necessary amenities. The Official Plan for the Municipality of Huron Shores projects that the population will increase to between 1,800 and 2,000 residents over the next 20 years.

#### **Regional Growth**

In 2021 the Come North Conference Report was produced by FedNor and the Government of Canada. The document describes short, medium, and long-term objectives for all communities in Northern Ontario as it relates to population growth.

According to the report all 11 Census Districts in Northern Ontario (Nipissing, Parry Sound, Manitoulin, Sudbury, Greater Sudbury, Timiskaming, Algoma, Thunder Bay, Rainy River, Kenora) are currently experiencing the following trends: population decline, population aging, or labour shortages. The report highlights a risk of these communities becoming economically unsustainable unless population retention and attraction numbers improve. The risk is the result of the dependency ratio increasing. The dependency ratio is the ratio of people unable to support themselves without assistance; people between the ages of 0 and 14 and 64 and older.

The goal is to achieve a dependency ratio of 0.5. In 1996, every Census District was at or near the goal by 2016; there were no districts that were below and more than half had a ratio more than 0.6. The following graph displays the dependency ratio for each Census District in 1996 and 2016 along with a projected ratio for the year 2036.

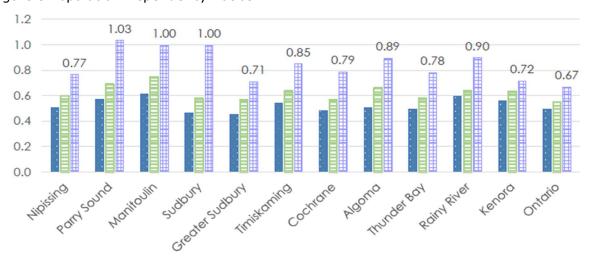


Figure 5 Population Dependency Ratios

The Municipality of Huron Shores is found in the Algoma district, which is expected to reach a dependency ratio of 0.89. The population trends overall in the Algoma District are in decline. The following graph from the 2019 Northern Projections Algoma District Human Capital Series report by the Northern Policy Institute, displays the population trends from 1986 to 2016.

■ 1996 ■ 2016 ■ 2036

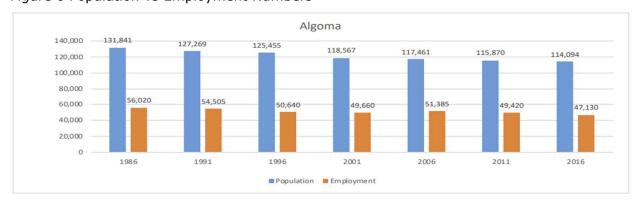


Figure 6 Population vs Employment Numbers

The following table, found in the same report, shows population projections in the Algoma District for the years 2013 to 2041.

Figure 7	Algoma	District	<b>Population</b>	Projections
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Year	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+	Total
2021	22,134	62,834	30,235	115,203
2026	22,011	57,265	33,958	113,234
2031	21,493	53,390	36,393	111,276
2036	20,820	51,849	36,718	109,387
2041	20,332	51,375	35,974	107,681

The most recent census data from 2021, shows a slight increase in the population, reaching a total of 113,777. According to census data, a significant population increase is seen in the population of 65 and older and a decrease within the population of ages 20 to 64; thus further increasing the dependency ratio.

#### **Impact of Growth on Lifecycle Activities**

Planning for forecasted population growth may require the expansion of existing infrastructure and services. As growth-related assets are constructed or acquired, they should be integrated into the Municipality's AMP. While the addition of residential units will add to the existing assessment base and offset some of the costs associated with growth, the Municipality will need to review the lifecycle costs of growth-related infrastructure. These costs should be considered in long-term funding strategies that are designed to, at a minimum, maintain the current level of service.

## **Current Levels of Service**

Levels of service are a measure of the quality, performance and scope of the services that municipal infrastructure provides to the community. Both quantitative and qualitative metrics are used to measure the current level of service. As a guide to developing and measuring service delivery, service delivery values were identified that align staff work practices with community expectations.

Figure 8 Service Delivery Values

# Scope

•The assets that are used to provide services to the community and how they are defined

# Quality

•Services are provided with minimal disruption and are available to customers in line with needs and expectations.

#### **Performance**

•Services are designed to be used efficiently and long-term plans are in place to ensure that they are available to all customers into the future.

Based on an analysis of each asset category the current level of service is provided in each asset section. All the community and technical levels of service will be directly linked to the service attributes for each asset category outlined in the appendix.

#### **Strategic Plan**

Huron Shores strategic plan is currently in development in conjunction with a Recreation Master Plan. The strategic plan will focus on a five-year horizon, providing the Municipality's vision and key directions to shape the programs and services of Huron Shores.

#### **Huron Shores Official Plan**

This plan outlines the community's long-term planning and provides the framework for achieving sustainable growth and development. It emphasizes key goals and considerations, ensuring a comprehensive approach to community planning. The following strategic goals are outlined.

**Sustainable development and Service Delivery** – Achieving a land use pattern that maximizes infrastructure use, encouraging business development and retention and facilitates cost effective service delivery.

**Accessibility** – Planning for a welcoming and accessible community for all people regardless of age and background and promote mutual development opportunities with neighboring communities.

**Environment and Safety** – Protecting the natural environment, sustainably managing resources, supporting outdoor recreational activities, and mitigating hazards to ensure long term community well-being and safety

**Growth** – Ensuring an adequate supply of land for anticipated growth while addressing to varying infrastructure needs

# **Proposed Levels of Service**

Proposed levels of service should be realistic and achievable within the timeframe outlined by the Municipality. They were determined with consideration of a variety of community expectations, fiscal capacity, regulatory requirements, corporate goals, and long-term sustainability.

The following three scenarios have been considered for establishing target levels of service for all asset categories included in this Asset Management Plan. This methodology provides a consistent, structured approach with a focus on asset conditions. For the road network gravel roads were excluded from all of the analysis as they are managed within the operating budget and considered to never need capital replacement.

#### **Scenarios**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

Each scenario was then evaluated based on its financial impact on the Municipality, the resulting overall asset condition, and any anticipated risks associated with the outcomes.

#### **Results**

#### **Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities**

Scenario 1 outlines the current lifecycle activities practiced across each asset category. Under this scenario, the asset inventory is maintained at an overall good condition level, with an average condition rating of 72%. This results in low-risk exposure due to well-maintained assets. However, achieving this condition requires high annual capital funding—approximately \$3.5 million per year.

While Scenario 1 ensures a strong state of asset health and minimizes service disruptions, it represents a cost-intensive approach to asset management. The trade-off here is excellent asset condition with a significant annual increase.

#### **Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment**

In this scenario, the Municipality continues its current capital investment level of \$1.8 million per year. At this funding level, the asset inventory maintains an overall average condition of Fair, with a condition rating of approximately 40%. However, this level of investment is insufficient to prevent significant asset deterioration.

Projections show that under this scenario, most asset categories will decline to a poor and very poor condition within 30 years. As assets reach this critical state, the Municipality will face increased risks, including reduced service levels, higher maintenance costs, and potential service disruptions. Maintaining this underfunded investment strategy is not sustainable and will ultimately fail to support the delivery of adequate services to the community.

#### **Scenario 3: Target Condition Good**

Scenario 3 targets an average asset condition of Good, with a condition rating of approximately 60%. This represents a balanced approach that maintains infrastructure in a state of good repair, while reducing financial burden.

Achieving this level of service requires an estimated annual capital investment of \$3.0 million. Although the resulting asset condition is lower than Scenario 1 (72%), the capital requirement is approximately 16% less, making this a more financially sustainable option. This scenario allows the Municipality to minimize long-term risks associated with asset deterioration, while ensuring that service levels remain acceptable and infrastructure performance is reliable.

#### **Conclusion**

The Municipality of Huron Shores is taking a strategic, data-driven approach to ensure the long-term sustainability of its municipal services. By placing a strong emphasis on the condition of infrastructure assets, the Municipality is working to strike a thoughtful balance between service quality and cost-efficiency, thereby avoiding both over-investment and the risks associated with premature asset failure. Significant strides have been made in enhancing the accuracy and reliability of the Municipality's asset management system—a critical foundation for evidence-based decision-making related to capital planning and long-term financial sustainability.

As part of this improved asset management framework, the Municipality is targeting an average asset condition of Good (approximately 60%) in the short term with a longer-term goal of maintaining the lifecycle activities. This strategic target has enabled a reduction in annual capital requirements by approximately 16% compared to lifecycle strategies outlined in the system, positioning the Municipality to reach a sustainable funding level more quickly, while continuing to deliver reliable services that meet the evolving needs of the community.

# **Financial Strategy**

#### **Financial Strategy Overview**

Each year, the Municipality of Huron Shores makes important investments in its infrastructure's maintenance, renewal, rehabilitation, and replacement to ensure assets remain in a state of good repair. However, spending needs typically exceed fiscal capacity. In fact, most municipalities continue to struggle with annual infrastructure deficits. Achieving full-funding for infrastructure programs will take many years and should be phased-in gradually to reduce burden on the community.

This financial strategy is designed for the Municipality's existing asset portfolio and is premised on two key inputs: the average annual capital requirements and the average annual funding typically available for capital purposes. The annual requirements are based on the replacement cost of assets and their serviceable life, and where available, lifecycle modeling. This figure is calculated for each individual asset and aggregated to develop category-level values.

The annual funding typically available is determined by averaging historical capital expenditures on infrastructure, inclusive of any allocations to reserves for capital purposes. For Huron Shores, the proposed capital reserve allocations in 2024, were used to project available funding.

Only reliable and predictable sources of funding are used to benchmark funds that may be available on any given year. The funding sources include:

- Revenue from property taxation allocated to reserves for capital purposes
- The Canada Community Benefits Fund (CCBF), formerly the Federal Gas Tax Fund
- The Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)

Although provincial and federal infrastructure programs can change with evolving policy, these are considered as permanent and predictable.

#### **Annual Capital Requirements**

The annual requirements represent the amount the Municipality should allocate annually to each asset category to meet replacement needs as they arise, prevent infrastructure backlogs, and achieve long-term sustainability

The table below outlines the total average annual capital requirements for existing assets in each asset category. Based on the proposed levels of service selected to maintain a minimum condition of good for all tax funded asset categories.

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Table 3 Average Annual Capital Requirements

Asset Category	Replacement Cost	Annual Capital Requirements
Road Network	\$42,484,599*	\$1,232,506
Bridges & Culverts	\$40,636,292	\$977,359
Storm Sewer Network	\$1,746,065	\$14,659
Buildings	\$25,625,252	\$393,292
Machinery & Equipment	\$1,545,601	\$112,782
Vehicles	\$4,242,879	\$235,406
Total	\$116,280,688*	\$2,966,004

<sup>\*</sup>note: gravel roads are not included in the analysis total replacement cost value of \$72.5 million.

#### **Current Funding Levels**

Table 4 summarizes how current capital funding levels compare with funding required for each asset category. At existing levels, the Municipality is funding 62% of its annual capital requirements for all infrastructure analyzed for maintaining a target condition of good. This creates a total annual funding deficit of \$1.12 million.

Table 4 Funding Position vs Required Funding

<b>Asset Category</b>	Annual Capital Requirements	Annual Funding Available	Annual Deficit
Road Network	\$1,232,506	\$1,089,498	\$143,008
Bridges & Culverts	\$977,359	\$590,000	\$387,359
Storm Sewer Network	\$14,659	\$0	\$14,659
Buildings	\$393,292	\$100,710	\$292,582
Machinery & Equipment	\$112,782	\$18,725	\$94,057
Vehicles	\$235,406	\$46,695	\$188,711
Total	\$2,966,004	\$1,845,628	\$1,120,376

#### **Closing the Gap**

Eliminating annual infrastructure funding shortfalls is a difficult and long-term endeavor for municipalities. Considering the Municipality's current funding position, it will require many years to reach full funding for current assets.

This section outlines how the Municipality of Huron Shores can close the annual funding deficits using own-source revenue streams, i.e., property taxation and without the use of additional debt for existing assets.

#### **Full Funding Requirements**

In 2024, Huron Shores will have an annual tax revenue of \$4.4 million. As illustrated in the following table, without consideration of any other sources of

revenue or cost containment strategies, full funding would require a 25.3% tax change over time.

To achieve this increase, several scenarios have been developed using phase-in periods ranging from five to twenty years. Shorter phase-in periods may place too high a burden on taxpayers, whereas a phase-in period beyond 20 years may see a continued deterioration of infrastructure, leading to larger backlogs.

Table 5 Phasing in Annual Tax Increases for Maintaining a Target of Good Condition Scenario

Total % Increase Needed in	Phase-in Period				
Annual Property Taxation Revenues	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years	
25.3%	4.6%	2.2%	1.5%	1.1%	

To fund the longer-term goal of full lifecycle activities or scenario 1 there would need to be an overall tax revenue increase of 37.9% which equates to a 5-year continuation of 2.2% per year.

Table 6 Phasing in Annual Tax Increases for Lifecycle Activities Scenario

Total % Increase Needed in	Phase-in Period				
Annual Property Taxation Revenues	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years	
37.9%	6.6%	3.3%	2.2%	1.6%	

Funding 100% of annual capital requirements ensures that major capital events, including replacements, are completed as required. Under this scenario, projects are unlikely to be deferred to future years. This delivers the highest asset performance and customer levels of service. Reallocating debt payments as they become available is a financial strategy that Huron Shores has considered utilizing once their loans have been paid.

#### **Ten-Year Financial Plan**

The Municipality is working with a clear long-term financial strategy aimed at reaching sustainable funding levels for its infrastructure services in 10-years and with that sustainable level of funding in 2034 the Municipality is still operating with an infrastructure deficit. The table below shows a 10-year capital projection for each asset category with proposed funding. Integration with the budget will help to ensure alignment between the asset management program forecasts and operations.

Table 7 Ten-Year Financial Plan

Asset Category	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034
Road Network	\$1.2m	-	-	\$2.1m	\$1.3m	\$890k	\$1.8m	-	\$2.1m	\$1.3m
Bridges & Culverts	\$4.3m	\$15.2m	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Storm Sewer Network	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buildings	\$955k	\$503k	\$1.4m	\$715k	\$1.2m	\$864k	-	\$1.8m	\$45k	\$930k
Machinery & Equipment	\$634k	\$66k	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vehicles	\$677k	\$137k	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$7.8m	\$15.9m	\$1.4m	\$2.8m	\$2.5m	\$1.8m	\$1.8m	\$1.8m	\$2.1m	\$2.2m
Proposed Funding	\$1.9m	\$2.0m	\$2.1m	\$2.2m	\$2.4m	\$2.5m	\$2.6m	\$2.7m	\$2.8m	\$2.9m

The current 10-year program has a funding requirement of \$40 million over the ten years to maintain an average condition target of good at 60%, while the proposed available funding will be \$24.2 million over the 10-years. There will still be a need to prioritize projects and defer based on the current infrastructure needs and backlog. The use of debt funding or one-time grants are still financial tools to be utilized to ensure adequate funds in a given year.

This proposed level of service is a more achievable level of funding in the short term for the community while still ensuring the average condition of the infrastructure is Good.

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# **Recommendations and Key Considerations**

#### **Financial Strategies**

Review feasibility of adopting a full-funding scenario that achieves 100% of average annual requirements for the asset categories analyzed. This involves:

- implementing a 2.2% annual tax increase over a 10-year phase-in period and allocating the full increase in revenue towards capital funding
- for full lifecycle activity scenario consider extending the 2.2% to a 15-year phase in period.
- continued allocation of OCIF and CCBF funding as previously outlined
- using risk frameworks and staff judgement to prioritize projects, particularly to aid in elimination of existing infrastructure backlogs

#### **Asset Data**

- 1. Continuously review, refine, and calibrate lifecycle and risk profiles to better reflect actual practices and improve capital projections. In particular:
  - the timing of various lifecycle events, the triggers for treatment, anticipated impacts of each treatment, and costs
  - the various attributes used to estimate the likelihood and consequence of asset failures, and their respective weightings
- 2. Asset management planning is highly sensitive to replacement costs. Periodically update replacement costs based on recent projects, invoices, or estimates, as well as condition assessments, or any other technical reports and studies.
- 3. Like replacement costs, an asset's established serviceable life can have dramatic impacts on all projections and analyses, including long-range forecasting and financial recommendations. Periodically reviewing and updating these values to better reflect in-field performance and staff judgement is recommended.

#### **Risk and Levels of Service**

- 1. Risk models and matrices can play an important role in identifying high-value assets, and developing an action plan which may include repair, rehabilitation, replacement, or further evaluation through updated condition assessments. As a result, project selection and the development of multi-year capital plans can become more strategic and objective.
- 2. The annual review requirement in O.reg. 588/17 the Municipality must address their progress in implementing its asset management plan, any factors impeding the ability to implement its asset management plan as well as a strategy to address any of the identified factors.

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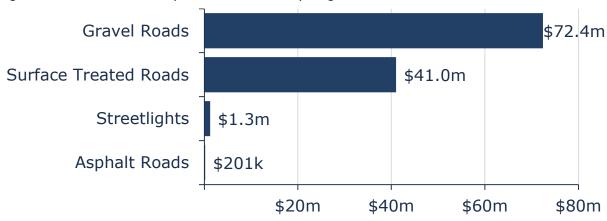
# **Appendix A: Road Network**

Huron Shores' road network comprises the largest share of its infrastructure portfolio, with a current replacement cost of \$114.9 million, distributed primarily between asphalt, surface treatment, and gravel roads.

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The figure below displays the replacement cost of each asset segment in the municipality's road inventory.

Figure 9 Road Network Replacement Value by Segment

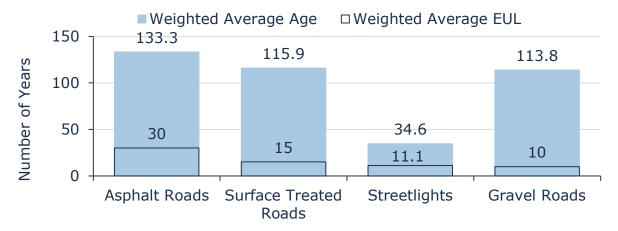


Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed to more accurately represent realistic capital requirements.

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

The graph below identifies the average age, and the estimated useful life for each asset segment. It is all weighted by replacement cost.

Figure 10 Road Network Average Age vs Average EUL



The analysis shows that, based on in-service dates, all assets continue to remain in operation beyond their expected useful life. The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor scale.

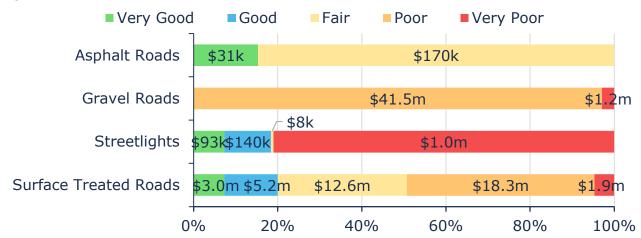


Figure 11 Road Network Condition Breakdown

To ensure that Huron Shores' roads continue to provide an acceptable level of service, the Municipality should monitor the average condition of all assets. If the average condition declines, staff should re-evaluate their lifecycle management strategy to determine what combination of maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement activities is required to increase the overall condition of the roads.

Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed length of service life for each asset type.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. The Municipality is currently developing their approach to assessing their road assets in the field. The condition scale for roads utilized is from 0 to 100 from Very Poor to Very Good.

## **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

The condition or performance of most assets will deteriorate over time. This process is affected by a range of factors including an asset's characteristics, location, utilization, maintenance history and environment.

The following lifecycle strategies shown in the tables below have been developed as a proactive approach to managing the lifecycle of municipally owned roads. Instead of allowing the roads to deteriorate until replacement is required, strategic rehabilitation is expected to extend the service life of roads at a lower total cost.

Table 8 Asphalt Road Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintonanco	<ul> <li>Routine street sweeping and road assessments are performed by internal staff.</li> <li>Pothole patching yearly from spring to fall seasons as needed.</li> </ul>
Rehabilitation / Replacement	<ul> <li>Conversion of asphalt roads to surface treated roads through milling and strengthening the road base</li> </ul>

Table 9 Surface Treated Road Current Lifecycle Strategy

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<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintenance	<ul> <li>Routine street sweeping and road assessments are performed by internal staff.</li> <li>Road study is conducted by external consultant every five years.</li> <li>Pothole patching yearly from spring to fall as needed.</li> <li>Chip sealing is performed periodically.</li> </ul>
Rehabilitation	<ul> <li>Milling and strengthening of road base is performed when the roads past the asset life span.</li> <li>Single surface treatment is performed when the roads reach fair condition after mill and pave.</li> <li>double surface treatment may be performed based on the traffic count and type of traffic.</li> </ul>
Replacement	Reconstruction is considered with signs of surface failures or to meet increased traffic requirements.
100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 5 10	Original. Projected

Table 10 Gravel Road Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy				
Maintenance	Grading is performed multiple times per year as needed.				
Rehabilitation	Gravel roads are perpetually maintained.				
Replacement	Gravel roads generally do not require conventional asset replacement events.				

Time (in Years)

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The following risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

Figure 12 Road Network Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$263,507	\$10,551,461	\$67,172,950	\$23,256,740	\$13,669,240
(<1%)	(9%)	(58%)	(20%)	(12%)

This is a high-level model developed by municipal staff and it should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

The identification of critical assets allows the Municipality to determine appropriate risk mitigation strategies and treatment options. Risk mitigation may include asset-specific lifecycle strategies, condition assessment strategies, or simply the need to collect better asset data.

#### **Current Levels of Service**

The following tables identify the Municipality's metrics to identify their current level of service for the roads. By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, Huron Shores will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by the road network.

Table 11 Road Network Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Qualitative Description	Current LOS
Scope	Description, which may include maps, of the road network in the Municipality and its level of connectivity	The Municipality currently owns and manages 10.7 lane-km of asphalt, 161.85 lane-km of surface treated roads, and 283.6 lane-km of gravel roads. The Municipality is connected to Highway 17/Trans-Canada Highway. See Figure 18 for road network map.
Quality	Description or images that illustrate the different levels of road class pavement condition.	See condition data in Figure 36 Huron Shores' road network comprises only local roads (MMS Class 5 and 6).
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by the road network.

Table 12 Road Network Technical Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Technical Metric	Current LOS
Scope	Lane-km of arterial roads (MMS classes 1 and 2) per land area (km/km2)	0
	Lane-km of collector roads (MMS classes 3 and 4) per land area (km/km2)	0
	Lane-km of local roads (MMS classes 5 and 6) per land area (km/km2)	1.01
Quality	Average pavement condition for paved roads in the Municipality	43%
Quality	Average surface condition for unpaved roads in the Municipality (e.g. excellent, good, fair, poor)	Fair
Performance	% Risk that is High and Very High	86%
	Actual capital reinvestment rate	1.07%

Figure 13 Road Network Map



#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the Road Network.

Table 13 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$42,484,599	Fair (59%)	\$1,232,506
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$42,484,599	Fair (48%)	\$1,089,498
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$42,484,599	Good (60%)	\$1,232,506

Gravel roads are not included in this forecast as they are managed through the operations and considered to never need replacement due to the preventative maintenance activities performed.

The recommended scenario for the road network is scenario 1 lifecycle.

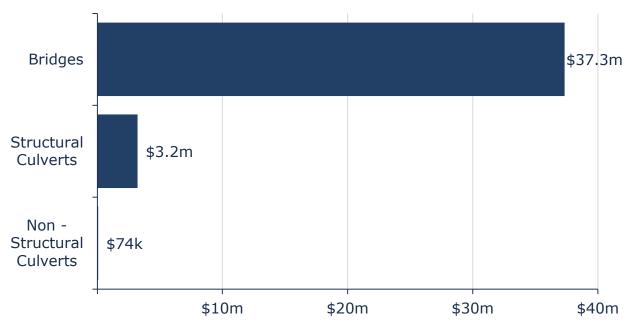
# **Appendix B: Bridges & Culverts**

Bridges & culverts represent a critical portion of the transportation services provided to the community.

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The figure below displays the replacement cost of each asset segment in the Municipality's bridges & culverts inventory.

Figure 14 Bridges & Culverts Replacement Cost

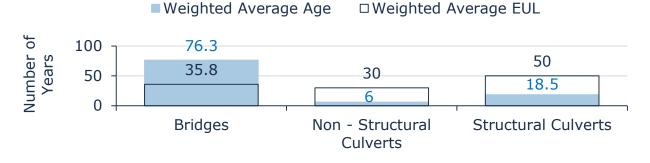


Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed. This can be included in the Ontario Structures Inspection Manual (OSIM) inspections as the replacement cost is part of the calculation for the bridge condition index (BCI).

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

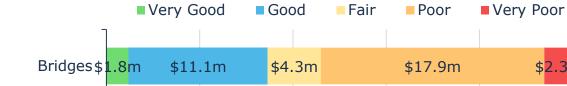
The graph below identifies the average age and the estimated useful life for each asset segment in the bridges & culverts inventory. The values are weighted based on replacement cost.

Figure 15 Bridges & Culverts Average Age vs Average EUL



The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor scale.

Figure 16 Bridges & Culverts Condition Breakdown



\$2.3m Non -Structural \$74k Culverts Structural \$2.7m \$237\$237 Culverts 60% 100% 0% 20% 40% 80%

To ensure that the Municipality's bridges & culverts continue to provide an acceptable level of service, the staff should monitor the average condition of all assets. Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed length of service life for each asset type.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. Huron Shores' current approach is to assess all bridges and structural culverts every 2 years in accordance with the Ontario Structure Inspection Manual (OSIM). The most recent assessment was completed in 2023 by Tulloch Engineering. The condition scale for bridges and culverts utilized is from 0 to 100 from Very Poor to Very Good.

Figure 17 Bridge & Culvert Condition Images

Municipal Structure #6 - Midway Bridge (BCI - 96 Very Good)



Looking East Across The Structure

North Elevation

Municipal Structure #17 - Potomac Bridge (BCI - 34 Poor)



Looking South Across Structure

East Elevation

Municipal Structure #16 - Cameron Culvert (BCI - 87 Very Good)



Looking East Across The Structure

South Elevation

#### Municipal Structure #20 - Dayton Road Culvert #1 (BCI - 30 Poor)



Looking North Across The Structure

West Elevation

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

The condition or performance of most assets will deteriorate over time. To ensure that municipal assets are performing as expected and meeting the needs of customers, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration. The following table outlines the current lifecycle strategy utilized by Huron Shores.

Table 14 Bridges & Culverts Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintenance	Sweeping, mowing and deck washing is performed annually.
Rehabilitation/ Replacement	the Ontario Structure Inspection Manual; however, bridge type, location and type of traffic are taken into consideration as well.

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

This is a high-level model developed by municipal staff and should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

Figure 18 Bridges & Culverts Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$592,159	\$4,040,158	\$5,724,000	-	\$30,279,975
(1%)	(10%)	(14%)	(0%)	(75%)

#### **Current Levels of Service**

The following tables identify the Municipality's metrics to identify their current level of service for the bridges and culverts. By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, Huron Shores will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending. The Municipality will use this data to set a target level of service and determine proposed levels for the regulation by 2025.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by bridges & culverts.

Table 15 Bridges & Culverts Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Qualitative Description	Current LOS	
Scope	Description of the traffic that is supported by municipal bridges (e.g., heavy transport vehicles, motor vehicles, emergency vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists).	Most of the Municipality's bridges support all traffic types. However, some bridges carry load restrictions (see below), and others are limited to pedestrian traffic (structure #18).	
Quality	Description or images of the condition of bridges and culverts and how this would affect use of the bridges and culverts.	See Figure 17 Bridge and Culvert Condition Images	
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality	

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by bridges & culverts.

Table 16 Bridges & Culverts Technical Levels of Service

<b>Service Attribute</b>	Technical Metric	Current LOS	
Scope	Percentage of bridges in the Municipality with loading or dimensional restrictions.	34%, based on 8 bridges and culverts with load restrictions	
Quality	For bridges in the Municipality, the average bridge condition index value.	Fair (55%)	
Quality	For structural culverts in the Municipality, the average bridge condition index value.	Very Good (87%)	
Performance	% Risk that is High and Very High	69%	
	Actual capital reinvestment rate	1.77%	

#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the bridges and culverts.

Table 17 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$40,636,292	Good (79%)	\$1,196,452
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$40,636,292	Fair (45%)	\$590,000
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$40,636,292	Good (60%)	\$977,359

The recommended scenario for the bridges and culverts is scenario 3 target an average condition of good.

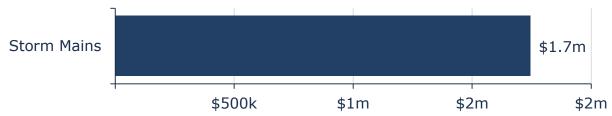
## **Appendix C: Storm Sewer Network**

The Municipality is responsible for approximately 2.16 kilometres of storm sewer mains.

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The figure below displays the replacement cost of each asset segment in the Municipality's storm sewer network inventory.

Figure 19 Storm Sewer Network Replacement Cost

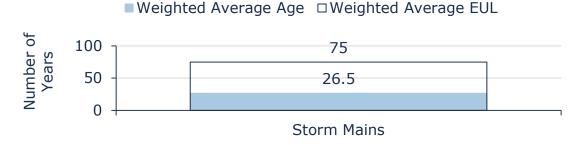


Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed.

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

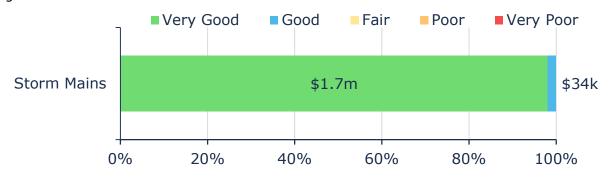
The graph below identifies the average age and the estimated useful life for each asset segment in the storm sewer network. The values are weighted based on replacement cost.

Figure 20 Storm Sewer Network Average Age vs Average EUL



The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor scale.

Figure 21 Storm Sewer Network Condition Breakdown



To ensure that the Municipality's storm sewer network continues to provide an acceptable level of service, the staff should monitor the average condition of all assets. Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed length of service life for each asset type.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. The Municipality is planning to perform CCTV assessments every five years. However, assessments are currently conducted on an as-needed basis. Age-based condition is utilized for asset management purposes. The condition scale for storm sewer assets is from 0 to 100 from Very Poor to Very Good.

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

The condition or performance of most assets will deteriorate over time. To ensure that municipal assets are performing as expected and meeting the needs of customers, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration. The following table outlines the current lifecycle strategy utilized by Huron Shores.

Table 18 Storm Sewer Network Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy		
Maintenance	Storms sewers are flushed as needed and when budget allows		
Rehabilitation/ Replacement	<ul> <li>Most sewer main replacement are reactive, when failures occur, or if warranted by the main's defect history.</li> <li>The strategy for corrugated steel pipes is end-of-life replacement.</li> </ul>		

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

This is a high-level model developed by municipal staff and should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

Figure 22 Storm Sewer Network Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$703,139	\$272,789	-	\$770,137	-
(40%)	(16%)	(0%)	(44%)	(0%)

#### **Current Levels of Service**

The following tables identify the Municipality's metrics to identify their current level of service for the storm sewer network. By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, Huron Shores will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by the storm sewer network.

Table 19 Storm Sewer Network Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	<b>Qualitative Description</b>	Current LOS
Scope	Description, which may include maps, of the user groups or areas of the Municipality that are protected from flooding, including the extent of the protection provided by the municipal stormwater management system.	The existing storm water collection system is located on Clarissa, John, East, King, Bridge Street, Chiblow Lake Road and Warnock Road. The current storm sewer system is sized based on a twenty-five (25) year design storm using the Iron Bridge storm data.
Quality	Description of the condition of the storm sewer system	Condition Description  Very Good - Fit for the future  Good - Adequate for now  Fair - Requires attention  Poor - Increased potential of affecting service  Very Poor - Unfit for sustained service"
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by the storm sewer network.

Table 20 Storm Sewer Network Technical Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Technical Metric	Current LOS	
	Percentage of properties in municipality resilient to a 100-year storm.	100%	
Scope	Percentage of the municipal stormwater management system resilient to a 5-year storm.	100%	
Quality	Average condition	Very Good (90%)	
Performance	% Risk that is High and Very High	44%	
	Capital reinvestment rate	0%	

#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the storm sewer network.

Table 21 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$1,746,065	Good (79%)	\$23,281
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$1,746,065	Poor (32%)	\$0
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$1,746,065	Good (60%)	\$14,659

The recommended scenario for the storm sewer network is scenario 3 target good condition.

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## **Appendix D: Buildings**

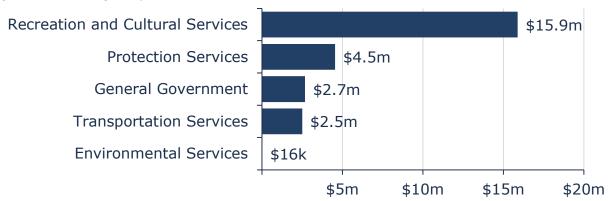
Huron Shores owns and maintains several buildings that provide key services to the community. These include:

- Community Centres and Halls
- 2 Fire Stations
- Town Hall
- Waste Sites
- Public Works Storage
- Library, museum and parks buildings

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The graph below displays the total replacement cost of each asset segment in Huron Shores' buildings inventory. As the Municipality had a complete componentization of their buildings in 2023 their inventory tracks buildings as components individual replacement.

Figure 23 Buildings Replacement Cost

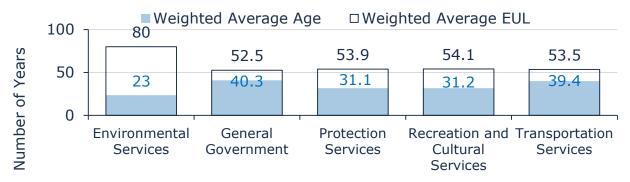


Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed to represent capital requirements more accurately.

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

The graph below identifies the average age, and the estimated useful life for each asset segment. The values are weighted based on replacement cost.

Figure 24 Buildings Average Age vs Average EUL



The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor.

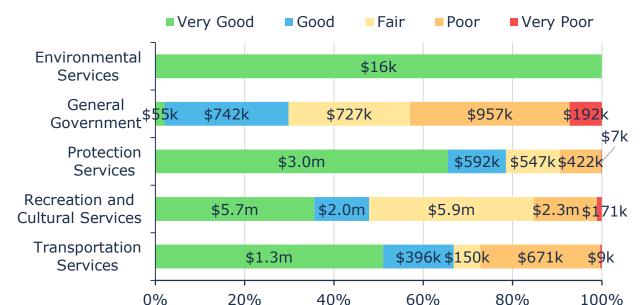


Figure 25 Buildings Condition Breakdown

To ensure that the municipal buildings continue to provide an acceptable level of service, the Municipality should monitor the average condition of all assets. If the average condition declines, staff should re-evaluate their lifecycle management strategy to determine what combination of maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement activities is required to increase the overall condition of the buildings.

Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed service life.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. Full condition assessment and componentization of the inventory was completed by ABSI in 2023.

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

To ensure that municipal assets are performing as expected and meeting the needs of customers, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration. The following table outlines the Municipality's current lifecycle management strategy.

Table 22 Buildings Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintenance and Preventative Maintenance	<ul> <li>The Municipality's building maintenance staff performs monthly visual inspections.</li> <li>Building assets are maintained by the buildings staff on routine basis or as needed.</li> <li>Visual inspections related to fire extinguishers, HVAC, and firehalls are carried out on monthly basis, considering the health and safety measures.</li> <li>The community centres, the museum, and library are subjected to monthly health and safety inspections and continual cleaning.</li> <li>Sprinkler systems in the community centres are inspected every six months.</li> <li>Elevators as inspected on monthly basis.</li> </ul>
Rehabilitation/ Replacement	<ul> <li>Assessments are completed strategically and based on the condition and performance of the asset, recommending component upgrades and replacements.</li> <li>Replacement/rehabilitation is prioritized, considering costs, health and safety, life expectancy, and its usefulness for the Municipality.</li> <li>Building management is primarily reactive.</li> </ul>

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

Figure 26 Buildings Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$11,016,764	\$4,799,121	\$1,334,093	\$6,479,074	\$1,996,200
(43%)	(19%)	(5%)	(25%)	(8%)

This is a high-level model that has been developed based on information currently available and should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

The identification of critical assets allows the Municipality to determine risk mitigation strategies and treatment options. Risk mitigation may include asset-specific lifecycle strategies, condition assessment strategies, or simply the need to collect better asset data.

#### **Current Levels of Service**

By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, the Municipality will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by buildings.

Table 23 Buildings Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Qualitative Description	Current LOS
Scope	Description of the services being provided	Buildings that provide services to the community include:  • 4 Community Centres and halls  • 2 Fire Stations  • Town Hall  • Waste Sites  • Public Works Storage  • Library, museum and parks buildings
Quality	Description of the condition of municipal buildings	Condition Description  • Very Good - Fit for the future  • Good - Adequate for now  • Fair - Requires attention  • Poor - Increased potential of affecting service  • Very Poor - Unfit for sustained service
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by municipal buildings.

Table 24 Buildings Technical Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Technical Metric	<b>Current LOS</b>
Scope	Quantity (square feet)	67,257
Quality	Average condition	Good (71%)
Doutoumana	% Risk that is High and Very High	33%
Performance	Capital reinvestment rate	0.39%

#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the buildings.

Table 25 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$25,625,252	Very Good (81%)	\$588,978
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$25,625,252	Poor (28%)	\$100,710
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$25,625,252	Good (60%)	\$393,292

The recommended scenario for the buildings is scenario 3 maintain target condition good.

## **Appendix E: Machinery & Equipment**

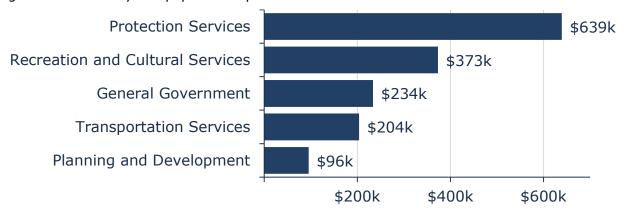
To maintain the quality stewardship of Huron Shores' infrastructure and support the delivery of services, the municipality owns and employs various types of equipment. This includes:

- General government services (office and IT) equipment
- Fire services equipment
- Transportation services equipment
- Recreation services equipment
- Planning and development services equipment

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The graph below displays the total replacement cost of each asset segment in the Huron Shores' equipment inventory.

Figure 27 Machinery & Equipment Replacement Costs

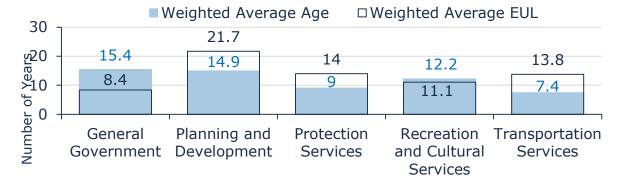


Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed to more accurate represent capital requirements.

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

The graph below identifies the average age and the estimated useful life for each asset segment. The values are weighted based on replacement cost.

Figure 28 Machinery & Equipment Average Age vs Average EUL



Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed length of service life for each asset type. The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor scale.

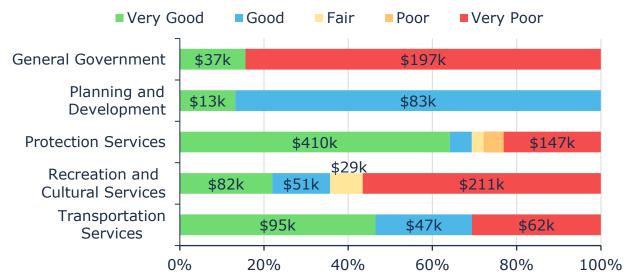


Figure 29 Machinery & Equipment Condition Breakdown

To ensure that the Municipality's equipment continues to provide an acceptable level of service, Huron Shores should continue to monitor the average condition. If the average condition declines, staff should re-evaluate their lifecycle management strategy to determine what combination of maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement activities is required to increase the overall condition.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. The current approach is varied because of the broad range of types of equipment included in this category.

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

The condition or performance of most assets will deteriorate over time. To ensure that municipal assets are performing as expected and meet the needs of customers, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration.

Table 26 Machinery & Equipment Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintenance	<ul> <li>Public works snowplows are maintained and inspected on an annual basis. This includes replacement of chutes, blades, pins, and other components.</li> <li>Bunker gear is inspected routinely by staff, and every six months by the manufacturer, as per NFPA standards. Monthly night maintenance is performed as issues are identified.</li> <li>Generators, portable pumps, are tested annually for certification. Generator's gas is checked once a month. Cylinders and cascade cylinders are tested every five years for certification.</li> <li>Defibrillators are checked monthly to ensure proper functioning.</li> <li>Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) have an annual inspection and are hydrostatically tested. Staff perform visual inspections monthly.</li> <li>Radio equipment is inspected during use and issues are reported as they arise.</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> testers and the air filling machines are tested and sampled every six months to ensure proper working order.</li> <li>Computer maintenance is usually done in-house, outside consultants mostly act as support.</li> </ul>
Rehabilitation/ Replacement	<ul> <li>Most of the machinery and equipment assets are replaced at end of life, unless defects or issues warrant earlier replacements.</li> <li>The replacement of these assets is based on the service life remaining and available budget.</li> </ul>

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

This is a high-level model that has been developed based on information currently available and should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

Figure 30 Machinery & Equipment Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$927,607	\$617,994	-	-	-
(60%)	(40%)	(0%)	(0%)	(0%)

#### **Current Levels of Service**

By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, Huron Shores will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending. The Municipality will use this data to set a target level of service and determine proposed levels for the regulation by 2025.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by equipment are outlined below:

Table 27 Machinery & Equipment Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Qualitative Description	Current LOS
Scope	Description of the services provided by machinery and equipment	<ul> <li>The municipality owns and employs various types of equipment. This includes:</li> <li>General government services (office and IT) equipment</li> <li>Fire services equipment</li> <li>Transportation services equipment</li> <li>Recreation services equipment</li> <li>Planning and development services equipment</li> </ul>
Quality	Description of the condition of machinery and equipment	Condition Description  • Very Good - Fit for the future  • Good - Adequate for now  • Fair - Requires attention  • Poor - Increased potential of affecting service  • Very Poor - Unfit for sustained service
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by equipment.

Table 28 Machinery & Equipment Technical Levels of Service

<b>Service Attribute</b>	ce Attribute Technical Metric	
Scope	Quantity	136
Quality	Average condition	Fair (48%)
Dorformanco	% Risk that is High and Very High	0%
Performance	Capital reinvestment rate	1.21%

#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

**Scenario 2: Current Capital Reinvestment Rate** - this scenario utilizes the current capital reinvestment within each asset category. The current annual investment was held, and average condition was determined.

**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the machinery and equipment.

Table 29 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$1,545,601	Good (76%)	\$142,241
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$1,545,601	Very Poor (12%)	\$18,725
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$1,545,601	Good (60%)	\$112,782

The recommended scenario for the machinery and equipment is scenario 3 maintain a target average condition of good.

## **Appendix F: Vehicles**

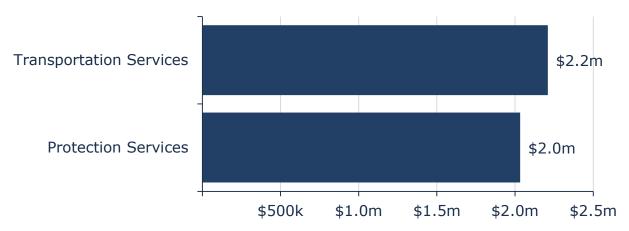
Vehicles allow staff to efficiently deliver municipal services and personnel. Municipal vehicles are used to support several service areas, including:

- Protection Services
- Transportation vehicles

#### **Inventory & Valuation**

The graph below displays the total replacement cost of each asset segment in the vehicle inventory.

Figure 31 Vehicle Replacement Costs



Each asset's replacement cost should be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments are needed to represent capital requirements more accurately.

#### **Asset Condition & Age**

The graph below identifies the average age and the estimated useful life for each asset segment. The values are weighted based on replacement cost.

■ Weighted Average Age □ Weighted Average EUL

Figure 32 Vehicles Average Age vs Average EUL



Each asset's estimated useful life should also be reviewed periodically to determine whether adjustments need to be made to better align with the observed length of service life for each asset type.

The graph below visually illustrates the average condition for each asset segment on a very good to very poor scale.

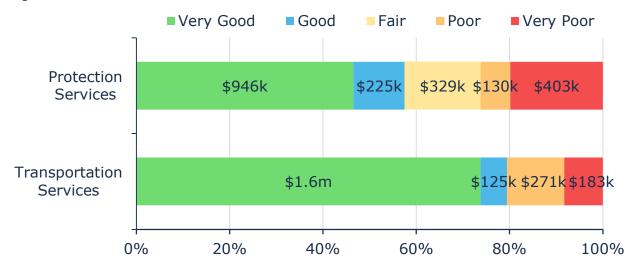


Figure 33 Vehicles Condition Breakdown

To ensure that the Municipality's vehicles continue to provide an acceptable level of service, the Municipality should monitor the average condition of all assets. If the average condition declines, staff should re-evaluate their lifecycle management strategy to determine what combination of maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement activities is required to increase the overall condition of the vehicles.

#### **Current Approach to Condition Assessment**

Accurate and reliable condition data allows staff to determine the remaining service life of assets and identify the most cost-effective approach to managing assets. The Municipality doesn't have a formal condition assessment program in place to assess the condition of the vehicle assets. Age is used to guide spending decisions, including identifying candidates for further review and inspections.

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategy**

The condition or performance of assets will deteriorate over time. To ensure vehicles are performing as expected, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration.

Table 30 Vehicles Current Lifecycle Strategy

<b>Activity Type</b>	Description of Current Strategy
Maintenance	<ul> <li>Maintenance is done externally based on vehicle mileage or when an issue arises.</li> <li>Tire changes, fluid top up, minor component changes, such as wipers, are completed externally on an as needed basis. Certain specialty parts, such as electronics or sensors, have been cited to be scarce at times.</li> <li>Commercial Vehicle Operator's Registration (CVOR) vehicles are inspected and maintained by an external, certified mechanic. Oil changes occur when required, mileage is typically used as an indicator.</li> <li>Non-CVOR vehicles have routine oil changes based on mileage. A mechanic completes a 50-point inspection during this time and recommends repairs, such as replacing brakes or tires.</li> <li>Fire apparatus on trucks have annual pump testing from emergency vehicle technicians. Pump functionality is tested on a weekly basis in house.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Most fleet have a replacement cycle of 10 years, generally considering the condition of the vehicle.</li> </ul>
Rehabilitation/ Replacement	<ul> <li>Condition and budget are the main considerations when prioritizing replacements. Consistent and known mechanical issues are also factored in.</li> </ul>
	The Municipality employs a combination of proactive maintenance, utilize internal staff, and contracted work.

#### **Risk & Criticality**

The risk breakdown provides a visual representation of the relationship between the probability of failure and the consequence of failure for the assets within this asset category based on available inventory data. See Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria for the criteria used to determine the risk rating of each asset.

This is a high-level model that has been developed based on information currently available and should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect an evolving understanding of both the probability and consequences of asset failure.

The identification of critical assets allows the Municipality to determine appropriate risk mitigation strategies and treatment options. Risk mitigation may include asset-specific lifecycle strategies, condition assessment strategies, or simply the need to collect better asset data.

Figure 34 Vehicles Risk Breakdown

1 - 4	5 - 7	8 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 25
Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
\$398,213	\$2,666,781	\$129,978	\$137,420	\$910,487
(9%)	(63%)	(3%)	(3%)	(21%)

#### **Current Levels of Service**

By comparing the cost, condition and risk year-over-year, the Municipality will be able to evaluate how their services/assets are trending.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

The qualitative descriptions that determine the community levels of service provided by vehicles are outlined below:

Table 31 Vehicles Community Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Qualitative Description	Current LOS
Scope	Description of the services provided by municipal vehicles	Vehicles allow staff to efficiently deliver municipal services and personnel.
Quality	Description of the condition of machinery and equipment	Condition Description  • Very Good - Fit for the future  • Good - Adequate for now  • Fair - Requires attention  • Poor - Increased potential of affecting service  • Very Poor - Unfit for sustained service
Performance	General	Services will be provided to ensure sustainability for the Municipality

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

The following table outlines the quantitative metrics that determine the technical level of service provided by vehicles.

Table 32 Vehicles Technical Levels of Service

Service Attribute	Technical Metric	<b>Current LOS</b>
Scope	Quantity	21
Quality	Average condition	Good (69%)
Performance	% Risk that is High and Very High	24%
Performance	Capital reinvestment rate	1.1%

#### **Proposed Levels of Service**

The scenarios that were used to analyze Huron Shores's inventory scenarios were run for 100-years to ensure all the lifecycles were included at least once. They are also all based on the data available in the asset management system which outlines estimated useful life and condition as well as replacement costs which all the results are based on.

**Scenario 1: Current Lifecycle Activities** - this scenario utilizes the current lifecycle activities outlined as current practice within each asset category. The condition and annual investment were then determined.

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**Scenario 3: Target Good Condition** - this scenario utilizes a target average condition of the infrastructure of good (at 60%). The condition value was held, and the annual investment was then determined.

The table below outlines the results for each scenario for the vehicles.

Table 33 Scenario Results Summary

Scenarios	Replacement Cost	Average Condition	Annual Capital Reinvestment
Scenario 1 – Lifecycle	\$4,242,879	Good (78%)	\$341,132
Scenario 2 - Current Capital Investment Rate	\$4,242,879	Very Poor (13%)	\$46,695
Scenario 3 – Target Good Condition	\$4,242,879	Good (60%)	\$235,406

The recommended scenario for the vehicles is scenario 3 maintain a target average condition of good.

# **Appendix G: Condition Assessment Guidelines**

The foundation of good asset management practice is accurate and reliable data on the current condition of infrastructure. Assessing the condition of an asset at a single point in time allows staff to have a better understanding of the probability of asset failure due to deteriorating condition.

Condition data is vital to the development of data-driven asset management strategies. Without accurate and reliable asset data, there may be little confidence in asset management decision-making which can lead to premature asset failure, service disruption and suboptimal investment strategies. To prevent these outcomes, the Municipality's condition assessment strategy should outline several key considerations, including:

- The role of asset condition data in decision-making
- Guidelines for the collection of asset condition data
- A schedule for how regularly asset condition data should be collected

#### Role of Asset Condition Data

The goal of collecting asset condition data is to ensure that data is available to inform maintenance and renewal programs required to meet the desired level of service. Accurate and reliable condition data allows municipal staff to determine the remaining service life of assets, and identify the most cost-effective approach to deterioration, whether it involves extending the life of the asset through remedial efforts or determining that replacement is required to avoid asset failure.

In addition to the optimization of lifecycle management strategies, asset condition data also impacts the Municipality's risk management and financial strategies. Assessed condition is a key variable in the determination of an asset's probability of failure. With a strong understanding of the probability of failure across the entire asset portfolio, the Municipality can develop strategies to mitigate both the probability and consequences of asset failure and service disruption. Furthermore, with condition-based determinations of future capital expenditures, the Municipality can develop long-term financial strategies with higher accuracy and reliability.

#### **Guidelines for Condition Assessment**

Whether completed by external consultants or internal staff, condition assessments should be completed in a structured and repeatable fashion, according to consistent and objective assessment criteria. Without proper guidelines for the completion of condition assessments there can be little confidence in the validity of condition data and asset management strategies based on this data.

Condition assessments must include a quantitative or qualitative assessment of the current condition of the asset, collected according to specified condition rating criteria, in a format that can be used for asset management decision-making. As a result, it is important that staff adequately define the condition rating criteria that

should be used and the assets that require a discrete condition rating. When engaging with external consultants to complete condition assessments, it is critical that these details are communicated as part of the contractual terms of the project.

There are many options available to the Municipality to complete condition assessments. In some cases, external consultants may need to be engaged to complete detailed technical assessments of infrastructure. In other cases, internal staff may have sufficient expertise or training to complete condition assessments.

#### **Developing a Condition Assessment Schedule**

Condition assessments and general data collection can be both time-consuming and resource intensive. It is not necessarily an effective strategy to collect assessed condition data across the entire asset inventory. Instead, the Municipality should prioritize the collection of assessed condition data based on the anticipated value of this data in decision-making. The International Infrastructure Management Manual (IIMM) identifies four key criteria to consider when making this determination:

- Relevance: every data item must have a direct influence on the output that is required
- Appropriateness: the volume of data and the frequency of updating should align with the stage in the assets life and the service being provided
- Reliability: the data should be sufficiently accurate, have sufficient spatial coverage and be appropriately complete and current
- Affordability: the data should be affordable to collect and maintain

## **Appendix H: Risk Rating Criteria**

## **Risk Definitions**

Risk	Integrating a risk management framework into your asset management program requires the translation of risk potential into a quantifiable format. This will allow you to compare and analyze individual assets across your entire asset portfolio.  Asset risk is typically defined using the following formula:  Risk = Probability of Failure (POF) x Consequence of Failure (COF)			
Probability of Failure (POF)	The probability of failure relates to the likelihood that an asset will fail at a given time. The current physical condition and service life remaining are two commonly used risk parameters in determining this likelihood.			
POF - Structural	The likelihood of asset failure due to aspects of an asset such as load carrying capacity, condition or breaks			
POF - Functional	The likelihood of asset failure due to its performance			
POF - Range	1 - Rare 2 - Unlikely 3 - Possible 4 - Likely 5 - Almost Certain			
Consequences of Failure (COF)	The consequence of failure describes the overall effect that an asset's failure will have on an organization's asset management goals. Consequences of failure can range from non-eventful to impactful: a small diameter water main break in a subdivision may cause several rate payers to be without water service for a short time. However, a larger trunk water main may break outside a hospital, leading to significantly higher consequences.			
COF - Financial	The monetary consequences of asset failure for the organization and its customers			
COF - Social	The consequences of asset failure on the social dimensions of the community			
COF - Environmental	The consequence of asset failure on an asset's surrounding environment			
COF - Operational	The consequence of asset failure on the Municipality's day-to-day operations			
COF - Health & safety	The consequence of asset failure on the health and well-being of the community			
COF - Economic	The consequence of asset failure on strategic planning			
COF - Range	1 - Insignificant 2 - Minor 3 - Moderate 4 - Major 5 - Severe			

## **Risk Frameworks – Road Network**

Probability of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/ Range	Score
		0-19	5 - Almost Certain
		20-39	4 - Likely
Structural (80%)	Condition	40-59	3 - Possible
		60-79	2 - Unlikely
		80-100	1 - Rare
	Service Life Remaining (50%)	<10%	5 - Almost Certain
		10 - 20%	4 - Likely
		20 - 30%	3 - Possible
Functional (20%)		30 - 40%	2 - Unlikely
Functional (20%)		40%+	1 - Rare
	Traffic Dange (V/ D.D.)	0 - 49	2 - Unlikely
	Traffic Range (V.P.D.) (50%)	50 - 199	3 - Possible
	(30%)	200 - 399	4 - Likely

Consequence of Failure				
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/Range	Score	
Economic (6E0()	AMD Commont	Gravel Roads	2 - Minor	
Economic (65%)	AMP Segment	Asphalt and Surface Treated Roads	4 - Major	
		Class 1	5 - Almost Certain	
	Road Class	Class 2	4 - Likely	
Social (20%)		Class 3	3 - Possible	
		Class 4	2 - Unlikely	
		Class 5 & 6	1 - Rare	
		0-19	1 - Rare	
		20-39	2 - Unlikely	
Health and Safety (15%)	Speed Limit	40-59	3 - Possible	
		60-79	4 - Likely	
		80-100	5 - Almost Certain	

## Risk Frameworks - Bridges & Culverts, Machinery & Equipment, Vehicles

Probability of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/ Range	Score
		0-19	5 - Almost Certain
	Condition	20-39	4 - Likely
Structural (60%)		40-59	3 - Possible
		60-79	2 - Unlikely
		80-100	1 - Rare
	Service Life Remaining	<10%	5 - Almost Certain
		10 - 20%	4 - Likely
Functional (40%)		20 - 30%	3 - Possible
		30 - 40%	2 - Unlikely
		40%+	1 - Rare

Consequence of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/Range	Score
Economic (100%)	Replacement Cost	\$300,000+	5 - Severe
		\$225,000 - \$299,999	4 - Major
		\$150,000 - \$224,999	3 – Moderate
		\$75,000 - \$149,999	2 – Minor
		< \$75,000	1 - Insignificant

## **Risk Frameworks – Storm Sewer Network**

Probability of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/ Range	Score
	Condition	0-19	5 - Almost Certain
		20-39	4 - Likely
Structural (60%)		40-59	3 - Possible
		60-79	2 - Unlikely
		80-100	1 - Rare
	Service Life Remaining	<10%	5 - Almost Certain
		10 - 20%	4 - Likely
Functional (40%)		20 - 30%	3 - Possible
		30 - 40%	2 - Unlikely
		40%+	1 - Rare

Consequence of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/Range	Score
Economic (100%)	Diameter	900 mm	5 - Severe
		600 – 750 mm	4 - Major
		400 – 500 mm	3 - Moderate
		350 – 375 mm	2 - Minor

## **Risk Frameworks – Buildings**

Probability of Failure			
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/ Range	Score
	Condition	< 1.10	5 - Almost Certain
		1.10 - 2.10	4 - Likely
Structural (80%)		2.10 - 3.10	3 - Possible
		3.10 - 4.10	2 - Unlikely
		4.10+	1 - Rare
	Service Life Remaining	<10%	5 - Almost Certain
		10 - 20%	4 - Likely
Functional (20%)		20 - 30%	3 - Possible
		30 - 40%	2 - Unlikely
		40%+	1 - Rare

Consequence of Failure				
Criteria	Sub-Criteria	Value/Range	Score	
	Replacement Cost	\$300,000+	5 - Severe	
		\$225,000 - \$299,999	4 - Major	
Economic (50%)		\$150,000 - \$224,999	3 – Moderate	
		\$75,000 - \$149,999	2 – Minor	
		< \$75,000	1 - Insignificant	
	Surface Type	Equipment & Furnishings	2 – Minor	
Operational (50%)		Interiors, Special construction and demolition, Sitework	3 – Moderate	
		Shell, Services	4 - Major	
		Substructure	5 - Severe	

## **Appendix I: Asset Management Overview**

Municipalities are responsible for managing and maintaining a broad portfolio of infrastructure assets to deliver services to the community. The goal of asset management is to minimize the lifecycle costs of delivering infrastructure services, manage the associated risks; while maximizing the value and levels of service the community receives from the asset portfolio.

Lifecycle costs can span decades, requiring planning and foresight to ensure financial responsibility is spread equitably across generations. An asset management plan is critical to this planning, and an essential element of the broader asset management program. The industry-standard approach and sequence to developing a practical asset management program begins with a Strategic Plan, followed by an Asset Management Policy and an Asset Management Strategy, concluding with an Asset Management Plan (AMP).

This industry standard, defined by the Institute of Asset Management (IAM), emphasizes the alignment between the corporate strategic plan and various asset management documents.

#### **Foundational Documents**

In the municipal sector, 'asset management strategy' and 'asset management plan' are often used interchangeably. Other concepts such as 'asset management framework', 'asset management system', and 'strategic asset management plan' further add to the confusion; lack of consistency in the industry on the purpose and definition of these elements offers little clarity. To make a clear distinction between the policy, strategy, and the plan, see the following sections for detailed descriptions of the document types.

#### Strategic Plan

The strategic plan has a direct, and cascading impact on asset management planning and reporting, making it a foundational element. Developing alignment with corporate goals and objectives through to service delivery and lifecycle management ensures the Municipality has line of sight to achieve their strategic objectives.

#### **Asset Management Policy**

An asset management policy represents a statement of the principles guiding the Municipality's approach to asset management activities as well as their commitment. It aligns with the organization and provides clear direction to municipal staff on their roles and responsibilities.

#### **Asset Management Strategy**

An asset management strategy outlines the translation of organizational objectives into asset management objectives and provides a strategic overview of the activities required to meet these objectives. It provides greater detail than the policy on how the Municipality plans to achieve its asset management objectives through planned activities and decision-making criteria.

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#### **Key Technical Concepts**

Effective asset management integrates several key components, including data management, lifecycle management, risk management, and levels of service.

#### **Asset Hierarchy and Data Classification**

Asset hierarchy illustrates the relationship between individual assets and their components, and a wider, more expansive network and system. How assets are grouped in a hierarchy structure can impact how data is interpreted. Key category details are summarized at the asset segment level.

#### **Replacement Costs**

There are a range of methods to determine the replacement cost of an asset, and some are more accurate and reliable than others. The two methodologies are:

- User-Defined Cost and Cost/Unit: Based on costs provided by municipal staff which could include average costs from recent contracts; data from engineering reports and assessments; staff estimates based on knowledge and experience
- Cost Inflation/CPI Tables: Historical cost of the asset is inflated based on Consumer Price Index or Non-Residential Building Construction Price Index

User-defined costs based on reliable sources are a reasonably accurate and reliable way to determine asset replacement costs. Cost inflation is typically used in the absence of reliable replacement cost data. It is a reliable method for recently purchased and/or constructed assets where the total cost is reflective of the actual costs that the Municipality incurred. As assets age, and new products and technologies become available, cost inflation becomes a less reliable method.

#### **Estimated Useful Life and Service Life Remaining**

The estimated useful life (EUL) of an asset is the period over which the Municipality expects the asset to be available for use and remain in service before requiring replacement or disposal. The EUL for each asset was assigned according to the knowledge and expertise of municipal staff and supplemented by existing industry standards when necessary.

By using an asset's in-service date and its EUL, the Municipality can determine the service life remaining (SLR) for each asset. Using condition data and the asset's SLR, the Municipality can more accurately forecast when it will require replacement. The SLR is calculated as follows:

Figure 35: Service Life Remaining Calculation



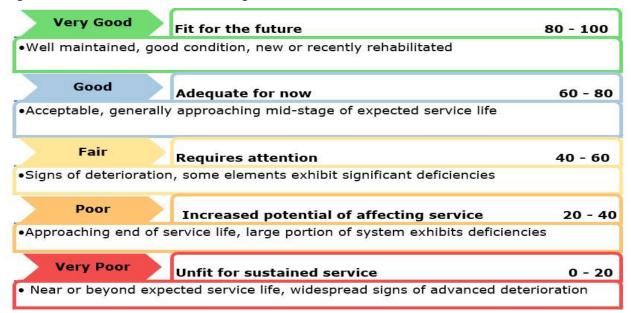
#### **Asset Condition**

An incomplete or limited understanding of asset condition can mislead long-term planning and decision-making. Accurate and reliable condition data helps to prevent

premature and costly rehabilitation or replacement and ensures that lifecycle activities occur at the right time to maximize asset value and useful life.

A condition assessment rating system provides a standardized descriptive framework that allows comparative benchmarking across the Municipality's asset portfolio. The figure below outlines the condition rating system used to determine asset condition for all assets in Huron Shores.

Figure 36 Standard Condition Rating Scale



The analysis is based on assessed condition data as available. In the absence of assessed condition data, asset age is used as a proxy to determine asset condition. Appendix G: Condition Assessment Guidelines includes additional information on the role of asset condition data and provides basic guidelines for the development of a condition assessment program.

#### **Lifecycle Management Strategies**

The condition or performance of most assets will deteriorate over time. This process is affected by a range of factors including an asset's characteristics, location, utilization, maintenance history and environment. Asset deterioration has a negative effect on the ability of an asset to fulfill its intended function, and may be characterized by increased cost, risk and even service disruption.

To ensure that municipal assets are performing as expected and meeting the needs of customers, it is important to establish a lifecycle management strategy to proactively manage asset deterioration.

There are several field intervention activities that are available to extend the life of an asset. These activities can be generally placed into one of three categories: maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement. Table 34 provides a description of each type of activity and the general difference in cost.

Depending on initial lifecycle management strategies, asset performance can be sustained through a combination of maintenance and rehabilitation, but at some point, replacement is required. Understanding what effect these activities will have on the lifecycle of an asset, and their cost, will enable staff to make better recommendations.

The Municipality's approach to lifecycle management is described within each asset category. Developing and implementing a proactive lifecycle strategy will help staff to determine which activities to perform on an asset and when they should be performed to maximize useful life at the lowest total cost of ownership.

Table 34 Lifecyle Management Typical Interventions

Lifecycle Activity	Description	Example (Roads)	Cost
Maintenance	Activities that prevent defects or deteriorations from occurring	Crack Seal	\$
Rehabilitation/ Renewal	Activities that rectify defects or deficiencies that are already present and may be affecting asset performance	Mill & Re-surface	\$\$\$\$
Replacement/ Reconstruction	Asset end-of-life activities that often involve the complete replacement of assets	Full Reconstruction	\$\$\$\$\$\$

#### **Risk Management Strategies**

Municipalities generally take a 'worst-first' approach to infrastructure spending. Rather than prioritizing assets based on their importance to service delivery, assets in the worst condition are fixed first, regardless of their criticality. However, not all assets are created equal. Some are more important than others, and their failure or disrepair poses more risk to the community than that of others. For example, a road with a high volume of traffic that provides access to critical services poses a higher risk than a low volume rural road. These high-value assets should receive funding before others.

By identifying the various impacts of asset failure and the likelihood that it will fail, risk management strategies can identify critical assets, and determine where maintenance efforts, and spending, should be focused.

#### **Qualitative Approach to Risk**

The qualitative risk assessment involves the documentation of risks to the delivery of services that the municipality faces given the current state of the infrastructure and asset management strategies. These risks can be understood as corporate level risks.

#### **Quantitative Approach to Risk**

Asset risk is defined using the following formula:

Figure 37 Risk Equation



The probability of failure relates to the likelihood that an asset will fail at a given time. The probability of failure focuses on two highly imperative impacts for risk assessment – structural and functional impacts. Structural impacts are related to the structural aspects of an asset such as load carrying capacity, condition, or breaks; whereas the

functional impacts can include parameters, slope, traffic count, and other impacts that can affect the performance of an asset.

The consequence of failure describes the overall effect that an asset's failure will have on an organization's asset management goals. Consequences of failure can range from non-eventful to impactful.

Each asset has been assigned a probability of failure score and consequence of failure score based on available asset data. These risk scores can be used to prioritize maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement strategies for critical assets.

#### **Levels of Service**

A level of service (LOS) is a measure of what the Municipality is providing to the community and the nature and quality of that service. Within each asset category, technical metrics and qualitative descriptions that measure both technical and community levels of service have been established and measured as data is available.

These metrics include the technical and community level of service metrics that are required as part of Ontario Regulation 588/17 as well as additional performance measures that the Municipality has selected in accordance with best practices. The Municipality measures the level of service provided at two levels: Community Levels of Service, and Technical Levels of Service.

#### **Community Levels of Service**

Community levels of service are a simple, plain language description or measure of the service that the community receives. The Municipality has determined the qualitative descriptions that will be used to determine the community level of service provided. These descriptions can be found in the Levels of Service subsection within each asset category.

#### **Technical Levels of Service**

Technical levels of service are a measure of key technical attributes of the service being provided to the community. These include mostly quantitative measures and tend to reflect the impact of the Municipality's asset management strategies on the physical condition of assets or the quality/capacity of the services they provide.

#### **Current and Proposed Levels of Service**

The Municipality is focused on measuring the current level of service provided to the community. Once current levels of service have been measured, the Municipality plans to establish proposed levels of service over a 10-year period, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 588/17.

Proposed levels of service should be realistic and achievable within the timeframe outlined by the Municipality. They should also be determined with consideration of a variety of community expectations, fiscal capacity, regulatory requirements, corporate goals, and long-term sustainability. Once proposed levels of service have been established, and prior to July 2025, the Municipality must identify a lifecycle management and financial strategy within which these targets can be achieved.

#### **Climate Change**

Climate change can cause severe impacts on human and natural systems around the world. The effects of climate change include increasing temperatures, higher levels of precipitation, droughts, and extreme weather events. In 2019, Canada's Changing Climate Report (CCCR 2019) was released by Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).

The report revealed that between 1948 and 2016, the average temperature increase across Canada was 1.7°C; moreover, during this period, Northern Canada experienced a 2.3°C increase. The temperature increase in Canada has doubled that of the global average. If emissions are not significantly reduced, the temperature could increase by 6.3°C in Canada by the year 2100 compared to 2005 levels. Observed precipitation changes in Canada include an increase of approximately 20% between 1948 and 2012.

By the late 21st century, the projected increase could reach an additional 24%. During the summer months, some regions in Southern Canada are expected to experience periods of drought at a higher rate. Extreme weather events and climate conditions are more common across Canada. Recorded events include droughts, flooding, cold extremes, warm extremes, wildfires, and record minimum arctic sea ice extent.

The changing climate poses a significant risk to the Canadian economy, society, environment, and infrastructure. Physical infrastructure is vulnerable to damage and increased wear when exposed to these extreme events and climate variabilities. Canadian municipalities are faced with the responsibility to protect their local economy, citizens, environment, and physical assets.

#### **Integration Climate Change and Asset Management**

Asset management practices aim to deliver sustainable service delivery - the delivery of services to residents today without compromising the services and well-being of future residents. Climate change threatens sustainable service delivery by reducing the useful life of an asset and increasing the risk of asset failure. Desired levels of service can be more difficult to achieve because of climate change impacts such as flooding, high heat, drought, and more frequent and intense storms.

To achieve the sustainable delivery of services, climate change considerations should be incorporated into asset management practices. The integration of asset management and climate change adaptation observes industry best practices and enables the development of a holistic approach to risk management.

#### **Impacts of Growth**

The demand for infrastructure and services will change over time based on a combination of internal and external factors. Understanding the key drivers of growth and demand will allow the Municipality to plan for new infrastructure more effectively, and the upgrade or disposal of existing infrastructure. Increases or decreases in demand can affect what assets are needed and what level of service meets the needs of the community.

As growth-related assets are constructed or acquired, they should be integrated into Huron Shores' asset management program. While the addition of residential units will add to the existing assessment base and offset some of the costs associated with growth, the Municipality will need to review the lifecycle costs of growth-related

infrastructure. These costs should be considered in long-term funding strategies that are designed to, at a minimum, maintain the current level of service.

#### **Reinvestment Rate**

As assets age and deteriorate, they require additional investment to maintain a state of good repair. The reinvestment of capital funds, through asset renewal or replacement, is necessary to sustain an adequate level of service. The reinvestment rate is a measurement of available or required funding relative to the total replacement cost. By comparing the actual vs. target reinvestment rate the Municipality can determine the extent of any existing funding gap.

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