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George Hill Road Renovation and Paving Project Quick Facts

Total Project Cost: \$7,000,000

- The renovation and paving project for George Hill Road is more costly than many of the projects done throughout Grafton due in large part to stormwater considerations. The area is filled with ledge and surface/subsurface water has a large impact on cost. This project will remove the “country drainage” (ditches) and utilize storm water basins and pipe to redirect the water to appropriate places along the road.

Funding: 50% Road Stabilization Account, 50% Debt Exclusion

- The Municipal Budget does not support the total cost without additional funding. Thus, the Town is seeking \$3,500,000 in excluded debt to fully fund the project.

Estimated Single Family Home Tax Impact: \$48.26 per year (15 years)

- The estimate cost is based upon the full project cost of \$7,000,000; this DOES NOT consider any grants or reductions attained through the construction process.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Q: What about grants? A: The Town is currently applying for two grants: Mass Works and Municipal Vulnerability Program. If awarded this will drive a large reduction in the excluded debt.
- Q: Why not fund the entire project from the Roads Stabilization Account? A: While the entire project could be funded from roads stabilization, this would result in a 50% reduction in the annual paving and road projects in Grafton.

Next Steps:

- This project requires two votes: One at Town Meeting, One at the Annual Election. BOTH are required to pass for the project to move forward.

For more information please visit:

www.grafton-ma.gov/858/May-Annual-Town-Meeting-2023