

December 29, 2005

To: Young Road Association Members
From: John Poor, Commissioner, Young Road Association
Subject: Winter Plowing and Sanding

Finally, after months of dealing with the changes to the public easement language, the City of Augusta, and the city attorney we have been approved for winter snow plowing and sanding. The limited services will be provided only after the City roads have been maintained. The services are not to the standard that I/we would like and in fact they may be done at a later time than before. This is because they have taken on more roads than in the past. I have already had to make several calls regarding sanding. Based on the last two storms, it appears that we have been plowed sooner than on previous storms this year. Let's hope that the services improve and are maintained at a level that is acceptable.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to all of you who have supported the association by becoming members and for signing the necessary easements. As you know, if all of you had not signed the easements the only option we had was to hire a private contractor to plow and sand. I did obtain an estimate from a local contractor for \$4000.00. If it had been necessary to use a private contractor, that would not have allowed us to make the necessary road improvements each year.

To date, we have replaced three major culverts and completed almost 300 feet of full road construction. Our priorities for next year will be based on the membership dues collected and the over all road conditions this spring. At this point, priorities should be towards making improvements for drainage and ditching. There are four remaining culverts that need ditching, cleaning out and riprap rocks added as needed. Completing the drainage work will help both the road and water conditions.

I have obtained estimates for road improvements on the lower end of the Young Road and for grading and rolling the entire road for next year. Hopefully grading can be done once in the spring and again in the fall. We should be able to complete this work as soon as the road conditions permit.

Between now and spring I will be getting recommendations and estimates for road and drainage improvements for the area between Rich's driveway and the Taber's property. This area needs to be considered a priority for 2006.

As spring approaches and conditions tell us more I will be making my final recommendations for the upcoming maintenance season.

Again, thank you for your assistance, patience and cooperation through this whole process.

John Poor, Road Commissioner