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## **Saginaw County Road Commission**

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## Saginaw County Road Commission welcome \$1,360,915 in additional road funding

With the recent passage of a road supplemental by the Senate, the Saginaw County Road Commission is thanking Governor Rick Snyder, Speaker of the House Tom Leonard and Senate Majority Leader Arlan Meekhof for putting an extra \$175 million in state dollars toward the roads yet this fiscal year.

Saginaw County Road Commission will receive \$1,360,915 in unanticipated road funding. The additional revenue will be utilized on various road construction projects to improve over 39 miles of roads in Saginaw County.

Saginaw County Road Commission is allocating the funding toward several projects including:

- Birch Run Road Chip and Seal from Sheridan Road to Birch Run Village Limits
- Center Road at State Street Rehabilitation
- Ditch Road Overlay from East to Sheridan (M-13)
- King Road Chip and Seal from Williamson Road to Reese Road
- Michigan and Tittabawassee Intersection Improvements
- Miller Road Resurfacing from State to River Road
- Shattuck Road Resurfacing from Center Road to Wieneke Road
- 19.88 miles of Crack Seal on various primary roads

The additional funding was proposed in the Governor's State of the State in January, with the House Speaker recommending shortly thereafter that the funds be advanced yet this fiscal year. This one-time \$175 million revenue is not related to the 2015 Transportation Package; it is surplus General Fund revenue not expended in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget.

A year ago, the Governor's 21st Century Infrastructure Commission concluded that \$2.7 billion more per year is needed to maintain roads, bridges and public rights-of-way. To this point, the Legislature has identified \$1.2 billion for roads by the close of 2021, plus the \$175 million just appropriated.

The Saginaw County Road Commission has served Saginaw County in improving and maintaining county roads and bridges since 1918.