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TO/DEST. The Chair and Members of Regional Council

FROM/EXP. Director, Finance and Administration Division
 Environment and Transportation Department

SUBJECT/OBJET **REGIONAL ROAD SYSTEM REVIEW UPDATE**

DISCUSSION

This study which began in 1992 culminated in a report to the Transportation Committee on 05 July, 1995, recommending numerous changes to the Regional Road System, including a net transfer of approximately 90 lane-kilometres of roads from the Region to local municipalities. At that time the report was deferred to attempt resolution of differences over the report with the local municipalities, particularly financial.

Discussions took place and, although there was not full resolution of differences, the report came back to the Transportation Committee on 18 October 1995 with a new recommendation that would restate the 1995 Regional mill rate to adjust for the net annual maintenance cost impacts after subsidy on the local municipalities resulting from the road transfers, and make minor changes to the recommended road additions and deletions.

The report was deferred until 15 November 1995 and subsequently deferred by staff to May 1996. During that time, a few changes to the Regional Road System which did not involve jurisdictional transfers have been approved by Regional Council: a by-law adding Palladium Drive and a report recommending changes associated with the Hawthorne Road extension and the addition of the Blackburn Hamlet By-pass and Hunt Club Road from Cedarview Road to Merivale Road.

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Also, during that time, the Province decided to discontinue Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) approval of municipal road systems. The move will leave the MTO road classification criteria used in the review, with no official status and as a result there has already been the suggestion from City of Nepean staff of modifying the criteria. The suggested modification involves optimization of maintenance/operations and consideration of traffic volumes.

Staff, at the request of local municipalities, are willing to examine these suggestions further, but also would like to get Regional Council's approval of recommended changes in time for integration with the Transportation Master Plan.

Staff will bring a report forward in September 1996. Should you have any questions please call Louis Shallal, Director, Transportation Planning Division at extension 1715 or myself at extension 2611.

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