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## **Barrington Highway Department Projected Construction Projects For 2024**

This coming year we will have more culverts to replace ahead of the paving program along with the usual ditching. There is pending engineering on two possible projects we can do with our rented excavator. One being rebuilding and installing drainage on Ramsdell Lane so that it can be repaved with a degree of success and longevity. It would be a similar situation to what we did in the ledge cut on Oak Hill Road, locating the source of the subterranean water, and rerouting it away, or out from under the road base gravel. Ramsdell is on the radar because of all the traffic on that road for the Library, Rec, ECLC, and the playground.

Another project within our capability, although not necessarily in the same year because of time constraints, is the reconstruction of Orchard Hill Road. The plan is being drawn up by CMA engineers now, and involves moving the road over, and lowering the abrupt Knoll at the top of the hill by 3 to 4 feet. This project will immensely improve the safety for vehicles, and the improvements will make it easier to plow. It will involve the relocation of telephone poles, property line adjustments, and a fair amount of vision both on the engineering level and ours to make it all come together, but I have faith that it will happen.

A project that is also in the works that is out of our scope of ability is the drainage infrastructure installation, and road rebuilding of the south part of Mallego Road. This section of road has a history of not holding new pavement for very long because the subbase gravel had no place to drain to. The opportunity to remedy that situation was made available to us a year ago with the proposed development of a subdivision in an old gravel pit adjacent to Mallego Road and is working its way through engineering now. This is a lucky break for the Town to be able to work with the developer to take advantage of this situation.

There will of course be a few more projects pop up here and there, but count on us being busy as usual.

Respectfully submitted  
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