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Legislator Rath,

Thank you for taking time to write us about the condition of Maple Rd. in Amherst, NY. The seven mile stretch of Maple Rd. from Transit to Niagara Falls Blvd. is one of the highest travelled County Roads with approximately 25,000 vehicles a day.

The road score for Maple varies from an 8 to 7, depending on which segment you are on. The County rehabilitated Maple Rd., from Niagara Falls Blvd. to Flint, in 2009 which would reflect some higher ratings. We also realize that conditions of road segments could be lower because of further deterioration since the 2013 Road Conditions report.

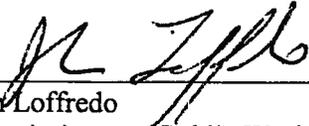
Maple Rd. has challenges that will require design and reconstruction of the five lane highway. The Road is constructed of asphalt over concrete slabs. The deterioration is most prevalent at the joints of the concrete slabs.

Currently, the 2015 Road Program of almost \$30 million does not have funding for the design of Maple Rd. The reconstruction couldn't be planned without knowing a cost estimate. Typically, reconstruction projects are \$2 million a mile on a two lane highway; this would not be a typical project and would cost over \$2 million a mile for full reconstruction. Without additional funding this work is currently not possible.

If you would like to further discuss this, or have questions, please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

  
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John Loffredo  
Commissioner of Public Works