### What is the Road Millage Proposal?

The ballot proposal asks for a 1 Mill tax renewal to help fix failing roads throughout Midland County. If passed, the 1 Mill will continue to provide \$3.4 million each year for the next four years, with portions going to the City of Midland, the Midland County Road Commission, City of Coleman, and Village of Sanford.

\$2.1 million

County/Coleman/ **Sanford Allocation:** 

**City Allocation:** 

\$1.3 million

**Total Millage Per Year:** 

\$3.4 million

### What's the Next Step?

Voters will be asked to vote "yes" or "no" to renew the millage on their election ballots on November 8.



# YES vote means...

- Renewal of the road millage, which provides \$3.4 million/year to help maintain and improve 1,100 miles of roadway in Midland County
- Clearly visible improvements to road quality



## **VO** vote means...

- Diminished road quality
- A growing backlog of deteriorated roads needing resurfacing and repair

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MIDLAND'S ROADS

**MIDLAND ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL** 

VOTE

**NOVEMBER 8TH** 

# **Continual Improvement**

For nearly 50 years, the voterapproved road millage has provided dedicated street funding to improve and maintain **1,100** miles of roadway throughout the 16 Midland County townships, City of Midland, City of Coleman, and Village of Sanford.

Renewing the millage would improve deteriorating road conditions and driver safety.





### The Millage's Impact

The road millage allows for reconstruction/resurfacing and preventative maintenance.

As the graphic shows, failing to renew the millage would result in a significant decrease in the number of road miles we are able to impact, which will decrease road quality and safety.

Reconstruction or Resurfacing

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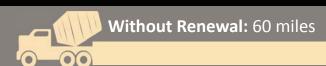
**Current Funding:** 45 miles



**Current Funding:** 80 miles

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Preventative Maintenance



# The Cost of Keeping Up

Material costs have gone up substantially in the last twelve years (between 2004 and 2016).



**SALT** 2004: \$25/ton

2016: \$60/ton

140% increase

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2004: \$24/ton 2016: \$56/ton

016: \$56/ton 133% increase



**ROAD PATCH** 2004: \$60/ton 2016: \$90/ton

016: \$90/ton 50% increase



DIESEL FUEL 2004: \$1.80/gal

2004: \$1.80/gal 2016: \$2.49/gal

38% increase



COUNTY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

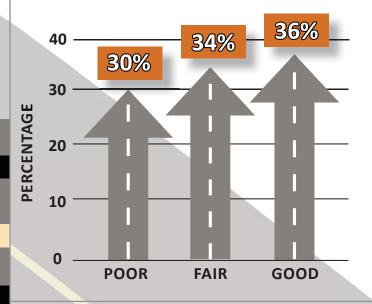
2004: \$120,000/mile 2016: \$300,000/mile

150% increase

# A Look at Road Conditions

City and county crews audit the quality of roads on an annual basis. The numbers below indicate the current average condition of area roads.

Renewing the road millage will continue to trend road conditions into the "good" and "fair" categories and decrease the number of roads in the "poor" category.



### What's the Cost?

Renewal of the road millage in 2016 will cost taxpayers



per month on a \$100,000 home.

This number is **not** an increase - it's a continuation of taxes currently paid for the road millage.

#### **Where Your Money Goes**

BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION
BRIDGE MAINTENANCE
CAPACITY IMPROVEMENTS
CRACK FILLING

CURB AND GUTTER MAINTENANCE
CULVERTS

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS
GRANT FUND MATCHING

GUARDRAILS

**NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION** 

**PAVEMENT MARKINGS** 

PAVEMENT RESURFACING

POTHOLE REPAIR

**ROAD RECONSTRUCTION** 

**ROAD SALT** 

**SIDEWALK RAMPS** 

**SIGNS AND SIGNALS** 

**SNOW PLOWING** 

STREET SWEEPING

**SURFACE TREATMENTS** 

# **Did You Know?**

Midland County's road assets include:

20,000
signs
100
bridges
480
guardrail locations