Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to see an effort to re-make our roads and highways, and welcome the opportunity of comment.

From Hamilton, no matter which way you travel, it will invariably be a "bone shattering" trip. No amount of patching small areas can achieve a lasting repair, such action is but a futile exercise. This a problem which evolves from the original construction, for being either highway or secondary road, they all have the same problem.

The following is a summary of discussion over a long period with my cousin, us being observant, hands-on and sensible persons, we now submit our opinions, hoping it may result in a little more care in the future.

Basically, the main cause of the problem is simply that there is no camber placed in construction, which means that the rainwater just lays on the surface, no possible run-off, thus with traffic density, be it private car or the larger commercial vehicle, the end result is what we now see as "pot-holes" or complete destruction or road surfaces.

This also applies to those areas under control of the local council's, many of whom tend to leave repairs until the last moment.

We realise that this will mean a long period of re-making all roads, but the end result will be worth the effort.

Yours faithfully,

Wal Ladlow

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