

May 2025 Monthly Highway Report

Summer Operations

The crews have been busy patching, picking up trash, and preparing our roads for the paving season. Paving operations have begun, we paved 450 N. West of Range Road last week utilizing the material we had left from last year. This is a dead-end road and it was a great road to start practicing on. We have seven tenths of a mile to still pave on this road when the new mix is ready. It is being made at the garage all this week by Central Paving.



The dust storm this past Friday threw our plans off track for this week. For the remainder of the week we will have brush crews out to clean up all the brush from the trees that went down Friday night. Our department had crews out Friday night and most of the day on Saturday. We had a total of 7 trees to remove and 16 barricades requests. Most of the trees took several hours to remove due to the size of the tree.

Mowers started last Monday and have been out in full swing. Currently we have three mowers out; 2 John Deer's and 1 New Holland. We are still waiting for our 2 Kubota's.



Outstanding Projects

CCMG 2025-01 – The HMA Overlay on 900 S. between 1000 E. and County Line as well as 1200 E. between SR 8 and 150 N. will begin this week. This should be done within the next two weeks as long as Mother Nature cooperates.

WorkOne- Work Experience Program

We currently have one individual who is working for our department through the WorkOne Work Experience Program. We have another individual who will be starting next week. WorkOne pays for their salary, workman's compensations, and all benefits. This does not cost the county any money to take on these individuals. They are here to gain workplace experience and will be going out with different crews throughout their 6-week period with us.

Fuel System Upgrade

A few weeks ago, we upgraded our fuel software system. Our previous software was out dated with our current system. The new software is more compatible and allows us to track our fuel usage and those assigned within the departments more proficiently. I initially was going to bill each department for this upgrade, it was going to be \$285 per department. I did not base that price on fuel usage as the software upgrade was needed regardless of how much fuel each department uses each month just based on if they use the system period. Currently, my department does not charge any departments for the repairs we conduct on the fuel system such as hoses, nozzles, filters, and when the pump itself goes down. Rather than charging each department some members of the Council have asked that I bring it to your attention to possibly pay for the software upgrade out of the Cumulative Capital Development fund.

Annual Financial Report

The annual financial report is completed for 2024 and I have brought it with e today for you to sign. This is the report were we basically just transfer all the information from our LOW financial system over to a prescribed form by the State Board of Accounts. This has been reviewed by my department and is ready to be submitted. The submission deadline is June 1.