

Kincardine Bridge Master Plan

Council Presentation

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OBJECTIVES

- Review Master Plan objectives, process, and strategy
- Identify proposed bridges for retirement



Project Introduction and Master Plan Objectives

- Evaluation of 83 active bridge structures and their corresponding Ontario Structure Inspection Manual (OSIM) report
 - OSIM reports were completed by BM Ross in 2023
 - 51 culverts, 32 bridges
 - Structures have an average age of 47 years
 - 21 bridges have annual average daily traffic counts of less than 50 trips per day
- High cost associated with OSIM recommendations over the next 10 years
 - Total cost of repairing 31 bridges: \$5,314,000
 - Total cost of replacing 12 bridges: \$14,286,000
- Master plan aims to identify structures for permanent retirement
 - Avoids substantial costly repair and replacements
 - Maintains overall road network connectivity





Evaluation Methodology

- Evaluation was completed in 2 steps to determine short (0-10 years) and long (10+ years) capital works to ensure long term overall network connectivity
 - Actions include: do nothing, repair, replacement, or retirement
- Short term strategy is based on OSIM report recommendations of repair or replacements works
- Long term strategy includes bridges with no short term capital works and looks to future potential bridge retirement vs replacement following further deterioration

Step 1: Screening Process

- Each bridge was evaluated based on criteria and then ranked. A threshold score was used to identify bridges to carry forward for detailed evaluation.
- Short term (<10 years) and long term (>10 years) projects were evaluated using different criteria based on needs of the OSIMs or current value.

Step 2: Detailed Evaluation

- A comprehensive review detailing potential impacts, opportunities, constraints, and mitigation measures, for each bridge carried forward.
- Recommendations for potential retirement were based on a reasoned-argument approach and discussion with municipal staff.



Evaluation Criteria

- Under **Step 1: Screening**, different criteria assessed bridges for long- and short-term evaluations
 - Each evaluation criteria was assigned a score between 1 and 5 with
 - Final scoring was out of 100
 - Threshold score indicated if a bridge would be carried forward for detailed evaluation

- Under **Step 2: Detailed Evaluation**, each bridge carried forward was comprehensively evaluated
 - Detailed impacts of retiring a subject bridge including opportunities and constraints through a reasoned argument approach
 - Inclusion of mitigation measures to limit potential impacts





Overall Short and Long Term Strategy

- Short term evaluation identified the following, over the next 10 years:
 - 5 bridges for retirement
 - 28 bridges for repairs
 - 11 bridges for replacement
 - Remaining 37 bridges to be maintained performing maintenance as needed
- Long term evaluation identified the following, extending +10 years
 - 5 bridges for retirement following their deterioration
- Criticality of overall transportation network was evaluated with combined potential bridge closures and limited disruption is anticipated through bridge retirements

ihort Term Bridge for Retirement	OSIM Short-Term Costs	Long Term Bridge for Retirement	CRV Costs
2128	\$3,592,000	2602	\$387,000
2610	\$519,000	2615	\$427,500
2136	\$562,000	2632	\$494,000
2621	\$216,000	2627	\$255,400
2134	\$159,000	2107	\$469,000
Total Savings	\$5,048,000	Total Savings	\$2,032,900





Capital Program and Cost Savings

 Through the recommended actions for both OSIM reports and potential retirements, over the next 10 years, municipality should prepare to spend \$1.5 million annually on bridge repairs and retirements

Timeline	Action	# Bridges	Cost
	Retire	3	\$300,000
1 Evers	Replace	3	\$5,222,000
I-5 years	Repair	20	\$2,116,000
	Total:	26	\$7,638,000
6-10 years	Retire	2	\$200,000
	Replace	8	\$5,357,000
	Repair	8	\$2,304,000
	Total:	18	\$7,861,000

- Through the retirement of the 10 recommended bridges, the Municipality stands to save \$6,081,500
 - This figure includes an assumed \$100,000 cost to permanently retire bridges





Risk Mitigation Measures and Next Steps Implementation

- Risk mitigation measures were identified to limit potential impacts of a bridge's retirement:
 - Allow appropriate turning radius for large vehicles (snow plow, farm equipment)
 - Notify emergency services of closures
 - Ensure load limits are posted on bridges
 - Confirm potential environmental constraints on Bridge 2621
- Additional studies may be required through further investigations including:
 - Confirmation of cultural heritage significance
 - Public consultation
 - Additional environmental assessment
 - Mitigation of environmental needs during dismantling of existing structures



Permanent retirement has been recommended for Bridge 2128





