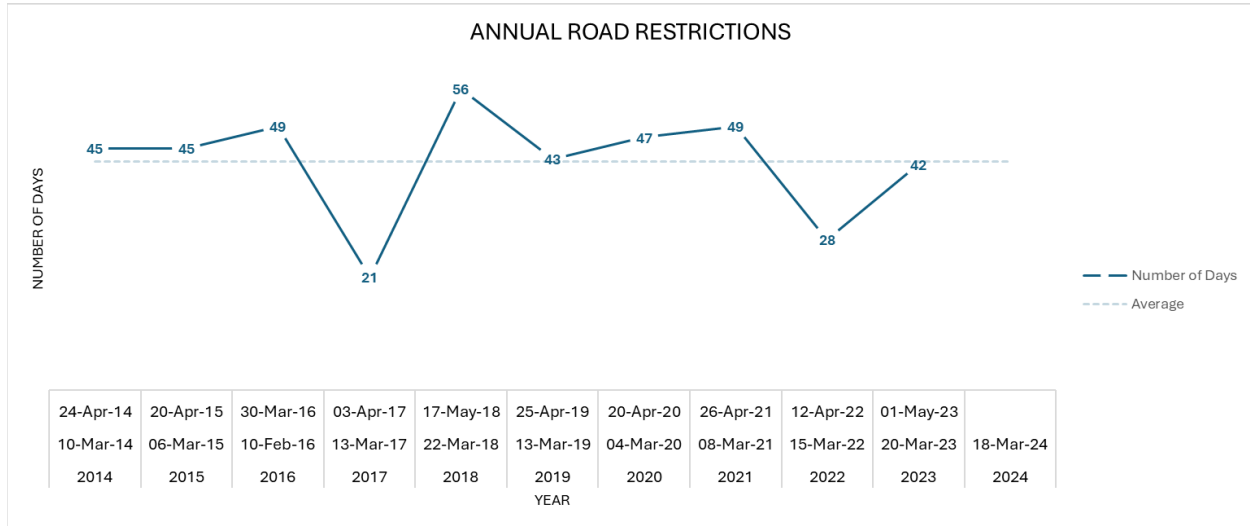


How and When Road Bans are Determined.

The chart below represents the approximate spring thaw road restrictions periods for the last few years:



There are a variety of situations such as weather and repetitive loads which require the County to implement road restrictions. The main cause for road restrictions is weather, either frost coming out of the ground, which tends to last for about 43 days each spring, or heavy and sustained precipitation events in spring and early summer, which normally last a few days.

When the County implements weather related road restrictions on roads it normally applies to all the roads in the County under the direction, management and control of the County. Range Road 103 is often an exception as it was built to a higher standard than other local roads, and oiled roads are subject to restrictions year-round in the County.

The County may apply road restrictions or require road use agreements under the following four main scenarios:

1. Weather-Related Damage Prevention:

- If the Municipal Superintendent, or their designate, anticipates weather conditions likely to cause road damage, the Vehicle Weight Committee will review their recommendations. The Committee has the authority to impose weight restrictions, limit speeds, or take other measures as needed.

2. Response to Observed Road Damage:

- When the Municipal Superintendent, or their designate, observes road damage occurring, they can request the County Administrator's authorization to take action. This allows them (usually a member of the Public Works Department or Municipal Enforcement) to require or enforce measures such as weight restrictions, bonds, speed reductions, or other necessary actions to mitigate the damage.

3. Repetitive Vehicle Use:

- If the County Administrator, or their designate (usually the Municipal Superintendent or Municipal Enforcement Officer), deems that vehicles are being operated repetitively in a manner that may cause extraordinary or premature road

failure, they may require the involved parties to enter a road use agreement. This may include providing security and authorization to operate during restriction periods under specific conditions.

4. Development or Subdivision Initiatives:

A Development or Subdivision Authority may mandate a Developer to enter into a Development Agreement. This encompasses construction and maintenance related to a subdivision or development, which may include road or utility upgrades, construction requirements, maintenance obligations, and provision of security. This agreement may also permit the proponent to operate during restriction periods under certain conditions.