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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Michaud and City Council
FROM: Kevin L. Sutherland, City Administrator
DATE: January 17, 2017
RE: **Council Updates**

Camp Ellis Jetty Spur Update

Both the Coastal Waters Commission and the Shoreline Commission have taken time to review the Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) that Council will need to give me authority to sign. We are still waiting on an update on the status of the Army Corps of Engineers report. As soon as I have word that it has been sent to headquarters in Washington, DC, we can begin the support campaign. I will bring the PPA with comments from committee to the February Council Workshop for discussion.

MaineDOT three year work plan

We've received communication from Senator Chenette on Maine's Department of Transportation three year transportation infrastructure work plan for the 2017 to 2019. Here is a link to the [projects happening here in Saco](#).

York County Drug Recovery Center

Our County is proposing a detox and drug treatment facility to be built in Alfred. This facility will cost the county tax payers an addition 1.6 million dollars to operate. The appropriations of the County are split among the communities in the County by percent of the total assessed value. Saco is 7.1% of this and therefore, Saco would owe an additional \$113,600 in taxes next year to fund this endeavor (this amount has been included in the budget forecast figure).

The York County Commissioners will be holding a [Public Hearing](#) on January 18th, 2017 beginning at 4:30pm in the EMA training/conference room in the Government Building located at 149 Jordan Springs Road in Alfred. I plan to attend to gather additional information. If there is anything you'd like for me to communicate to the Commissioners, please let me know.

Biddeford and Saco - Joint meeting

Saco's Council, Planning Board, Comprehensive Plan Update Committee, and Economic Development Commission are all invited (along with like boards and committees from Biddeford) to attend a public meeting to be held on January 31st on the Second Floor of the People's Choice Credit Union to discuss all the positive things happening in our communities, current and future joint ventures we could look to explore, a discussion on land use, transportation, and traffic in our two downtowns. The meeting will start at about 6pm. Food will be available around 5:30pm. An agenda will be available soon, posted to the website and sent to individual members of the boards and committees.

Stackpole Bridge

Due to the multiple short duration road closures that would be required throughout the remaining 4 months of the project completion period, and the City's desire to improve the road approaches to the bridge from each side prior to full traffic volumes resuming, the road will remain closed to through traffic until the final completion date of May 30, 2017. We will have a more detailed memo from the City Engineer in a few days.