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RE: NJ POTHOLE SEASON

Dear Resident,

Spring brings warm weather and outdoor activities, but it also means pothole season on the east coast; and this year is more challenging than most. According to an article in [NJ.com](#), the NJ state Department of Transportation confirms that this is the worst pothole season in years. The cycle of cold temperatures, a warming trend the next day, followed by a freeze caused an early and challenging start of pothole season. Earlier this year, as a part of my 4-part Road Repair initiative, the Pothole Portal was redesigned and now places the user-entered complaint directly into the internal Township tracking system, allowing for an even more efficient response.

The original Pothole Portal was launched in 2014, and enabled a quick and efficient response to potholes on Marlboro's 200 miles of roads. The Portal allows residents who drive the streets every day help direct Township resources to those areas most in need. Thousands of potholes have been filled since inception. The [Pothole Portal](#) can be found on the new 'Road Repair' tab on the homepage of the [Township Website](#). Of course, calling DPW at 732-972-8866 or emailing [publicworks@marlboro-nj.gov](mailto:publicworks@marlboro-nj.gov) is still available to the public.

Many roads in Marlboro are under the jurisdiction of the State or County and potholes should be directed to the proper authority. Potholes on state roads can be reported by calling 800-POTHOLE or using the on-line form [HERE](#). Potholes on a Monmouth County road can be called in to the County at 732-431-6550.

Thank you for your cooperation as we endeavor to address this winter's effects to our road conditions. Please visit the 'Road Repair' tab on the Township website for information on the \$5 million Road Improvement plan and for a direct link to the Pothole Portal.

Sincerely,

Mayor Jon Hornik