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## TOWN OF CHILMARK CHILMARK, MASSACHUSETTS

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- To: Residents of Middle Line Road, Tiercel Lane, Goose Pond, MLR Housing
- CC: Businesses, Public Safety, Transportation, Schools
- FR: Chilmark Highway Department
- DT: October 10, 2013
- RE: Information Release PAVING on Tabor House Road

The April 2013 Annual Town Meeting voted to invest \$200,000 to repave a section of the Tabor House Road from the intersection at North Road up to the entrance driveway of the Local Drop Off (LDO) "dump". This section of Tabor House Road sees heavy truck traffic, owing mostly to the LDO being located there.

White-Lynch will be repaying on **October 15, 16 & 17^{th}** between **8 AM – 4 PM** each day. Driveway aprons will be paved on October  $18^{th}$ .

The town has found that roads that are paved one-lane-at-a-time have a center seam. This seam opens up over time and creates a crack down the middle of the road. Once water gets into the crack and freezes, the pavement starts to break up. This creates a hazard for bicycles and potholes are created as traffic and snow plowing make the cracks larger.

For the past ten years the town has been laying pavement in a "single-pull" so that there is no center seam. This has shown to be a better solution that saves the town money by extending the life of the road surface. The only drawback is that during the actual paving, the road must be closed until the asphalt cools and hardens.

Tabor House Road (between the North Road and the LDO) is CLOSED during the construction hours. Paving will begin on Tuesday at the North Road intersection and move towards the LDO. Residents will be able to access Tiercel Lane & Middle Line Road from the Middle Road end of Tabor House Road until the paving operation reaches those roads.

## Expect that section of Tabor HouseRoad will be closed and un-passable between 8 AM and 5 PM Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

*This is all subject to the weather and may change.* Please consult the town web page or town hall for updated information. <u>www.chilmarkma.gov</u> News and Announcements.

