

Derry's Rockingham Road bridge completed on time, under budget

Hoyle, Tanner & Associates Inc. recently completed its services for a project to replace the busy Rockingham Road Bridge over Derry's Beaver Brook.

The project started Sept. 3 and was constructed by American Excavating Corp. of Derry. The bridge was completed under budget and on time by Nov. 26. A major portion of the work involved replacing the existing culverts with a new 20-foot span precast concrete bridge. Corrugated metal culverts under the road were heavily rusted and structurally deficient. The project also consisted of roadway reconstruction of Rockingham Road beginning from the Bradford Street intersection with Rockingham Road and continuing easterly up to the Rockingham Road intersection with Winter Hill Road, replacing the existing water line and installing a new sewer line. During the construction duration of the project, a second of the road was closed and traffic was detoured.

The project falls under a larger initiative to upgrade the water line and to bring sewer to a greater area along the heavily traveled Rockingham Road. The Town of Derry anticipates this will allow more business activity in the region and boost economic growth.