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## ***Highway Department November 2015 Monthly Report:***

***Continued road side mowing***

***Spent several days replacing/repairing road signs***

***Finished setting up the snow removal equipment in anticipation of the approaching winter season***

***We erected snow fence on Birch Hill, Cambridge, Snyder Pond and Connelly roads***

***Blacktop patched over a culvert pipe on Black Grocery Road.***

***We cut out and repaired a section of the blacktop pad in front of our salt shed***

***Hauled gravel into our stockpile***

***This past month we completed cleaning leaves from drainage ditches and culverts along our roads. This operation is accomplished with two men in a truck with a large leaf vacuum mounted on the front. The vacuum was originally designed as a tow behind. When used as a tow behind, the leaf removal operation required as many as four employees, a driver and three behind the truck. Because a front mounted unit was not available this machine was***



***purchased and redesigned within our department.***

***Safety is also improved as the controls are within the cab; no employees are needed outside of***

*the truck.*

*Working in conjunction with the truck vacuum is a tractor with a PTO driven blower. This blower was originally a silo loader.*



*The modification of this piece of equipment was also done by our employees.*

*Inter-departmental assistance the Highway Department provided:*

*Town*

*Our department decorated the town properties for the Holidays. We put up the lights at the Town Hall, inside and outside at the Park Building and at Folgers Triangle*

*Town Supervisor*

*Jeff repaired our furnace at the Highway Garage*

*Inter-municipal Cooperation included:*

*Town of Ancram*

*They assisted us in decorating the tree at Folgers Triangle with their bucket truck.*

*They took down our hamlet banners with their bucket truck*