ROAD AGENT

In 2010, the highway department faced its first challenge of the year with the March and April rain/wind storm and floods. This was the third natural disaster and FEMA site that Newton has had in the past three years. The road crew assisted and coordinated restoring power with the utility company, reconstructed washed out roads, repaired culverts and drainage structures and assisted residents with pumping out their basements. Also, collecting over 1800 cubic yards of brush and debris left behind from the two storms kept the two part-time highway employees busy for many weeks.

Per the 2009 Roadway Condition Evaluation, approximately 4,400 linear feet of the following roads were reconstructed:

1. Smith Corner Road
2. Crane Crossing Road
3. Heath Street
4. Maple Avenue

Other projects completed included the replacing of culverts with approximately 230 feet of pipe on Currierville Road, Gale Village Road, and Maple Avenue, that had collapsed due to age.

Last, and happy to report, we repaired and finished a drainage issue that has existed for many years on Marcoux Road, adding 300 feet of 12" ADS pipe, one catch basin and a water quality structure to alleviate flooding on the low lying roadway.

Respectfully submitted,
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