



**Borough of
Tinton Falls
New Jersey**

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January 30, 2024

Charles Terefenko, Borough Administrator
Borough of Tinton Falls
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RE: Emergency Drainage Repairs
Hope Road Culvert
Borough of Tinton Falls

Dear Mr. Terefenko:

On Monday, January 29th I was notified of a partial collapse of a Borough-owned drainage culvert on Hope Road just south of Industrial Way. I then conducted a field inspection of the area in question along with DPW personnel. We discovered that the western end of the culvert and headwall had collapsed into the stream. This in turn caused a portion of the edge of the road to collapse as well. We immediately called a local contractor, Lucas Construction Group, to join us on-site to determine the necessary scope of work to repair the pipe and structure. Lucas has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$28,550.00 to complete this work. Due to the proximity of the collapse to the southbound travel lane of Hope Road, I believe the repair work to be considered an emergency and I recommend an emergency award be made to Lucas Construction Group. I do not believe we have sufficient time to allow for additional contractors to visit the site and prepare multiple quotes for review. The Borough has worked with Lucas Construction Group numerous times on jobs of similar scope and found their work to be satisfactory. Also note that the proposal is below the public bid threshold of \$44,000.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Neff, PE, PP, CME, CFM
Tinton Falls Borough Engineer