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Counters will help road work planning

Amity Township personnel have instituted a program that will help them plan for and better manage their road maintenance activities.

They recently secured two traffic counters which will provide them with the volume and type of vehicles that use several of their well-travelled roads.

"We want to get an idea of the exact number of vehicles our roads are currently handling," public works foreman Ali Howell-Clarke told the board of supervisors Wednesday night. "It will help as we plan when and where we'll be doing road our maintenance work in the future."

The traffic counters, according to Howell-Clarke, can determine a vehicle's weight class in addition to the number of cars that pass through.

"It's able to read the distance between a vehicle's axles, which tells us us which class it is," he said. "It will all be valuable when we're planning our road maintenance schedule this year."

- By Dan Andrews