



Memorandum

Economic and Development Services Department

Date: June 3, 2025
To: Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee (O.E.A.C.)
From: Branden Morris, Planner B
Economic and Development Services Department
Re: **O.E.A.C Road Salt Postcard**

File: 12-03

The purpose of this Report is for O.E.A.C. to select one of the two designs affixed to this memo for the committees new road salt postcard. Once the committee selects their desired option via a motion at the June 3, 2025 meeting, we can proceed and order the postcards for handouts at events.

Recommendation

That the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee select one of the two options for the road salt postcard as listed in Report OEAC-25-26 dated June 3, 2025.

If you have any questions please contact Branden Morris at 905-436-3311, extension 2449 or by email to bmorris@oshawa.ca.

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Attachment

Option 1:

Front of Postcard Option 1



Back of Postcard Option 1

Salt: **less is more**

By limiting salt use, you can safeguard the ecosystem, especially freshwater lakes and streams by:

- Spreading a small amount of salt evenly on driveways and walkways when snow or temperatures below freezing are expected to prevent ice formation.
- Using a 12-ounce coffee mug of salt. It is enough to treat a 500-square-foot driveway or around 10 squares of sidewalk.
- Clearing the sidewalk around your property to help prevent ice buildup and limit the need for salt.
- Directing downspouts away from walkways and driveways.
- Considering alternatives like sand, grit, non-clumping kitty litter, or magnesium chloride when temperatures go below -10°C.
- Sweeping any loose salt and store it safely for reuse.

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Option 2:

Front of Postcard Option 1



Back of Postcard Option 2

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