

R.V. Anderson to do design work on Alton bridge

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R.V. Anderson Associates Limited has been given the job to do detailed design and contract administration for the replacement bridge on Queen Street in Alton.

Peel Regional council recently awarded the contract, on the advice of Regional staff. Their submitted bid of \$1,107,625 was the lowest of four received.

Staff reported this two-lane bridge, which crosses the Shaw's Creek just east of Main Street, has been serving an arterial function in the northwest corner of Peel. Built in 1925, the Ministry of Transportation rehabilitated and widened it in 1964. Additional rehabilitation work was done in 1996.

Structural repairs were recommended to the bridge about a year ago, but it was eventually determined that the condition and strength of the 1925 concrete couldn't be improved. It was decided the most cost-effective thing to do was replace the whole thing.

Truck load restrictions were placed on the bridge in October.

Staff said funding for the design work is available. Money for the actual construction won't be needed until next year, and staff said it would be requested in the 2017 budget.



Peel Region recently awarded the contract for design work for the replacement of this bridge on Queen Street in Alton.