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Mr. Bill Lett
1290 DuPont Road
Havana, FL 32333

Dear Mr. Lett:

I received your letter of March 3, 2008 concerning the condition of DuPont Road and have driven the road and discussed the history and current condition with Mr. Robert Presnell, County Public Works Director.

In 2000 through 2003 the County stabilized several roads using cold mix asphalt. DuPont and Lanier roads were two of the projects which were completed using this method. This process was used only on roads which did not have sufficient right of way to properly treat storm water runoff with hot mix asphalt. The Board of County Commissioners approved this process at the time knowing that the stabilization had an approximate five year lifespan.

In 2006 Public Works started actively pursuing funding for the actual paving of DuPont and Lanier Roads with conventional asphalt. Several grants were applied for in 2006 and Lanier Road was selected and paved using a Small County Outreach Program grant. The County resubmitted the projects that were not selected and currently has a grant application in for DuPont Road through the County Incentive Grant Program to resurface with conventional asphalt and install thermoplastic striping. The County did receive a Federal appropriation several years ago for road improvements but it was specifically for Dover Road and Hutchinson Ferry Road.

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I hope this information is helpful to you. I have instructed the Public Works Department to patch the potholes on DuPont Road on a regular basis until such time as the necessary funding becomes available to re-surface the road. If you have any additional questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marlon Brown', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Marlon Brown
County Manager

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Cc: Board of County Commissioners
Mr. Thornton Williams, County Attorney
Mr. Robert Presnell, Public Works Director