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I am writing to express my dismay that you are once again considering removing Klements Lane paving (and that of a small number of other roads). This has often been the threat when local residents complained too frequently or loudly about the potholes on the road. What in the world is anyone thinking?

This wasn't ever a great road, but after the fire camp was established at the end of the road, the considerable traffic and heavy equipment made it far far worse. It was our understanding that funds had been earmarked for the IMPROVEMENT of the road afterwards, but nothing has ever been done, other than filling some of the potholes with loose asphalt. Even that had to be compressed by the vehicles using the road, not the road crews.

What is the rationale behind this? And what criteria was used in the selection of the doomed roads.

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