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## MANAGING DIRECTOR TO RETIRE AFTER 40 YEARS WITH ROAD COMMISSION

Allegan, MI, 1BAugust 12, 2017– Effective September 29, 2017, Managing Director Larry Brown will be retiring from the Allegan County Road Commission after 40 years of service. Director Brown began his working relationship with the Road Commission in 1972 working through 1975 as part of the summer help on the survey crew. After graduating from Michigan Technological University in 1976, Mr. Brown worked for the City of Albion for a year before returning to Allegan in May of 1977 to work as a Project Engineer for the Allegan County Road Commission. He was promoted to County Highway Engineer in 2003 and became the Managing Director in January of 2011. During his tenure with the Road Commission, Director Brown served on the Board of Directors for the County Road Association (CRA) of Michigan as well as on several committees, including the Engineering Committee, the Education Committee, the General Policy Committee, and the Legislative Review Committee. He also served as Vice President and President of the Association of Southern Michigan County Road Agencies as well as President of the Southwestern Council of CRA.

"I would like to thank the citizens of Allegan County for allowing me to serve at various positions at the Road Commission for the last 40 years. Special thanks go out to the Road Commission Boards I have served under as well as local and state government officials I have worked with over the years. I will truly miss the relationships that I have made throughout my career with coworkers & employees, fellow road commissions, contractors, and MDOT employees," stated Larry Brown, Managing Director of the Allegan County Road Commission.

Director Brown is being replaced by Allegan County Road Commission County Highway Engineer Craig Atwood. Mr. Atwood graduated from Ferris State University in 2003. He worked for Wightman & Associates from 2003 until he joined the Road Commission in December of 2007 as a Project Engineer. He was promoted to County Highway Engineer in 2011. Mr. Atwood has served on the Engineering Committee and various subcommittees for CRA.

"Having worked with Craig over the past several years, I have every confidence in his ability to serve as my successor. He has my full support and I'm sure the transition will be seamless," stated Larry Brown.

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