

**SURVEY RESULTS  
REGARDING THE CULVERT BETWEEN BATAILLE and RHÉAUME  
JULY 9, 2005**

Chris Hemmingway, Épinette Lake Representative, reported that all the ballot envelopes were opened by Raymond Guénette and himself. It was noted that the Secretary, the one responsible for receiving all the returned ballots, had provided the following statistics, which he proceeded to present:

351 ballots were mailed out to the property owners of Rhéaume and Bataille. (100%)

- 180 owners from Bataille received ballots (51.3%)
- 171 owners from Rhéaume received ballots (48.7%)

As of July 9, 2005, 233 ballots have been returned and were duly post marked on or before July 6. Details are as follows:

- 115 returned ballots were from Bataille (49.4%)
  - Returns from Bataille  $115 / 180 = 63.9\%$
- 118 returned ballots were from Rhéaume (50.6%)
  - Returns from Rhéaume  $118 / 171 = 69.0\%$
- The total response rate was  $233 / 351 = 66.4\%$

The preliminary results of the vote were as follows:

- **32** ballots were **in favour** of modifying the culvert.
- **201** ballots were **against** modifying the culvert.
- The majority was against at a proportion of 86.3%.

As of July 17, four (4) additional ballots have been received and have yet to be opened. It was noted that these ballots would not significantly affect the results.