

## South Beach Road repair in hill slide area

Over the last several years South Beach Road has been breaking apart over its traverse up the hill in the Neskowin Heights area. The downslope movement of the roadbed drew attention of the Neskowin Regional Sanitary Authority (NRSA) who were concerned that their sewer line running along the east side of the road might break and release sewage onto the hillside and eventually into the creek below. In May the NRSA moved the sewer line to the west side of the road, where the water line is also located. In July the sections of the road that had broken up as a result of the hillside sliding downward were paved with asphalt. The movement of the road was to such an extent that in some places over a foot of asphalt was put down. The asphalt overlay is not an end-all solution to sliding problem South Beach Road faces, but it is a common fix used in the Coast Range. A more permanent fix could easily cost more than \$50,000. The overlay should limit the amount of water that was infiltrating into the roadbed through cracks in the pavement. We will see to what extent it stabilizes the previous condition.

**Before**



**After**

