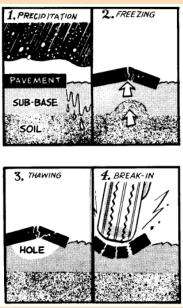
## Community Corner

# **POTHOLES**

#### **HOW ARE POTHOLES FORMED?**

 Potholes develop when two factors are present at the same time - water & traffic; hence potholes commonly occur in the wheel path.



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### POTHOLES IN THE ROAD, WHAT TO DO?

- Try to avoid the pothole, but avoid sharp turns of the steering wheel
- Slow down & drive carefully
- Traveling at full speed, slamming on the brakes, or sudden swerves can cause a crash

### **HOW ARE THEY FIXED?**

The size of the pothole will determine the fix. A common successful technique for smaller potholes is known as **Throw & Roll**. Your municipality will place a modern asphalt and polymer-based patching mix in the hole. Then they will compact it with a truck tire. Slow down and give the workers room.

