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Subject: Re: Next ACE Meeting - February 6

A separate item for discussion is around ice management in the winter. Attached are three articles for ACE members to consider before the meeting, with a proposed recommendation as follows:

The ACE recommends the Planning & Environment Committee direct City Staff to evaluate the pilot projects taking place in Mississauga around "Ecotraction", and consider using the product to further reduce our usage of road salt as per the damage to the natural environment (including waterways, woodlands, and other faunae and flora) and the built environment (including bridges, roads, and other infrastructure exposed to road salt). We acknowledge the good work already done to reduce the use of road salt through the usage of beet brine and want to get as close to the minimum amount of road salt as possible in the City of London for a sustainable solution that protects the environment, the safety of human beings, and the cost of ice management.

Article #1: "For the good of the planet, can we curb our addiction to road salt?"
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/technology/what-on-earth-newsletter-road-salt-environment-1.4982353>

Article #2: "Beet juice and cheese brine: what cities are spreading on streets to replace corrosive road salt" - <https://www.cbc.ca/radio/thecurrent/the-current-for-january-26-2018-1.4504277/beet-juice-and-cheese-brine-what-cities-are-spreading-on-streets-to-replace-corrosive-road-salt-1.4504293>

Article #3: "London's special street salt brine"
- <https://www.1069thex.com/2017/12/04/londons-special-street-salt-brine/>

If you can think of staff people to invite for either this or the Discover Wonderland discussion, it would be great to have someone to ask questions of!

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