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Potholes Have Met Their Match

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Potholes...Potholes! Everyone knows North Port has potholes, but the Department of Public Works now has the solution! Here is the Bergkamp FP-5 Flameless Pothole Patcher, operated by Ross Gray and Jim O'Malley. Capable of putting down six to seven tons of asphalt per day, the Pothole Patcher is the machine to make a serious dent in the backlog of pothole complaint – and North Port has TWO of these rigs!

Acquired in August, the machines operate with a crew of two, plus a field supervisor. Public Works' previous method of repairing potholes called for a crew of four, two trucks and a trailer carrying the hot asphalt. Using an electric heater instead of propane to heat the asphalt, the new trucks are much safer and more efficient.

