

November 3, 2020

All Northern Affairs Communities

Indigenous and Northern Relations Capital projects update

Dear Mayor and Council:

As Executive Director of the Northern Affairs Branch at the Department of Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations (INR), I am pleased to provide this Capital Project Report to present approved infrastructure investments in the Northern Affairs communities.

This bi-annual report summarizes the approved capital projects and studies in the Northern Affairs communities between April 1 and September 30, 2020. The Department intends to provide a similar report to all communities twice per year, dated March 31 and September 30.

In recent years, a limited number of capital projects have been funded by the Department, pending review of the current capital program. INR is in the process of developing a sustainable capital program that will provide communities with appropriately designed and well built infrastructure that supports communities' social and economic needs.

For the current fiscal year (2020/2021), INR has a \$3.8 million budget for capital projects. To maximize this investment, the Department leverages additional funding that becomes available, including those from other provincial departments and the federal government. The community projects identified this year were determined using a number of criteria including: review of previously recommended projects (through the former capital approval board); review of the communities' five year capital plans; legislated requirements for facility upgrades/replacement and community requests for critical projects.

Between April 1 and September 30, 2020 the Department approved funding up to \$4.09 million toward critical infrastructure projects that will help ensure the health and safety of community members, employees, and the environment, with a primary focus on regulatory and legislated infrastructure (water, wastewater, and solid waste). In addition to the capital projects, INR has approved up to \$256,000 toward feasibility reports and infrastructure assessments, which will be used to help prioritize capital projects for future investments.

Should you wish to discuss this report or have questions, please contact your regional office (Dauphin at 204-622-2110, and in Thompson at 204-677-6786).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Doolan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

Paul Doolan
Executive Director

**Indigenous and Northern Relations
2020/2021 Capital Projects Funding Commitments
September 30, 2020**

Legislative Projects (water, wastewater, solid waste) New, Upgrades, and Repairs

Community	Project	Amount (up to)
Duck Bay	Water Intake Line	\$25,000
Duck Bay	Water Treatment Plant	\$300,000
Nelson House	Water Treatment Plant	\$65,000
Nelson House	Wet Well	\$380,000
Sherridon	Water Treatment Plant	\$1,295,000
Thicket Portage	Water Treatment Plant	\$105,000
Gods Lake Narrows	Wastewater Holding Tank	\$120,000
Barrows	Waste Disposal Site	\$110,000
Pine Dock	Waste Disposal Site	\$110,000
Waterhen	Waste Disposal Site	\$300,000
Subtotal		\$2,810,000

Existing Infrastructure Upgrades, Repairs, and Rehabilitation

Community	Project	Amount (up to)
Camperville	Community Roads	\$20,000
Duck Bay	Community Roads	\$20,000
Rock Ridge	Community Roads	\$15,000
Seymourville	Community Roads	\$10,000
Cross Lake	Community Roads	\$10,000
Moose Lake	Community Roads	\$104,000
Nelson House	Community Roads	\$10,000
Bissett	Community Roads	\$3,000
Pine Dock	Community Roads	\$3,000
Harwill	Community Roads	\$20,000
Cormorant	Community Roads	\$95,000
Wabowden	Lagoon Road	\$50,000
Camperville	Communication Tower	\$50,000
Easterville	Fire Hall / Water Plant Roof	\$200,000
Mallard & Meadow Portage	Water Plant Truck Fill Card Reader	\$30,000
Mallard	Garage (electrical)	\$50,000
Spence Lake	Drainage	\$30,000
Subtotal		\$720,000

New Infrastructure New and Replacement

Community	Project	Amount (up to)
Barrows	Administration Building	\$450,000
Camperville	Fire Equipment	\$100,000
Easterville	Septic Truck (top-up)	\$10,000
Subtotal		\$560,000

Total \$4,090,000

**Indigenous and Northern Relations
2020/2021 Funding Commitments to
Infrastructure Assessments and Feasibility Studies
September 30, 2020**

Infrastructure Assessments

Community	Project	Amount (up to)
Moose Lake	Roads Assessment	\$33,000
Multiple Communities*	5 year Water System Assessments	\$28,000
	Subtotal	\$61,000

Feasibility Studies

Community	Project	Amount (up to)
Cormorant	Water Treatment Plant Study	\$40,000
Barrows & Waterhen	Lagoon Liners Study	\$25,000
Moose Lake	Wastewater Lift Station Study	\$60,000
Seymourville	New water supply Study	\$70,000
	Subtotal	\$195,000

Total \$256,000

*Communities include Crane River, Cross Lake, Duck Bay, Island Lake, Mallard, Norway House, Pelican Rapids, Pikwitonei, Sherridon, Thicket Portage, Wabowden, and Waterhen