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Federal and provincial governments fund infrastructure project in Oromocto.

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Matt DeCourcey and Hon. Stephen Horsman, Minister responsible for Families and Children, today announced over \$1.5 million in joint federal and provincial funding for infrastructure projects in the town of Oromocto.

The town of Oromocto will use this funding to replace aged sanitary forcemains and watermains.

With the signing of the bilateral agreement between the federal government and the Government of New Brunswick, \$88.1 million of federal investment for Clean Water and Wastewater as well as Public Transit is now available across the province. Combined with funding from the province and municipalities, this figure increases to more than \$176 million.

Through the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, the federal government will provide the Government of New Brunswick with \$79.4 million for investments focused on meeting immediate priorities for clean water and wastewater to support a cleaner and healthier environment for communities.

Through the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund, the federal government will provide \$8.7 million for projects that improve the state of good repair of public transit, that support system optimization and efficiency, increase asset management capacity, and design and planning for future expansion of public transit systems.

These funds make up the part of Phase 1 of the federal government's historic plan to invest more than \$120 billion in infrastructure over 10 years.

Quotes

"The federal government recognizes that investing in infrastructure is essential to growing the middle class and equipping municipalities with the building blocks they need to support a high standard of living for Canadians. Far more than just bricks and mortar, infrastructure is a key driver of any community's economic and social development."

Matt DeCourcey, MP for Fredericton

"Our government is dedicated to working in collaboration with its provincial, territorial and municipal partners to make sure we meet the various needs of communities across the country. This announcement marks Phase 1 of our long term infrastructure plan which will invest to create growth and opportunities for the middle class, while building strong, inclusive and sustainable communities where people want to live, work and raise a family."

The Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

"Targeting smart infrastructure investments to produce long-term prosperity and strengthen communities will have a lasting positive impact on the quality of life of all residents."

Hon. Stephen Horsman, Minister responsible for Families and Children on behalf of Hon. Donald Arseneault, Minister responsible for the Regional Development Corporation.

Associated links

Learn more about federal programs and investments in your region:

- Federal infrastructure investments in New Brunswick: <u>http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/map-carte/nb-eng.html</u>
- *Investing in Canada*, the Government of Canada's new \$120 billion infrastructure plan: <u>http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/index-eng.html</u>
- Clean Water and Wastewater Fund: http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/cwwf-fepeu-eng.html
- Public Transit Infrastructure Fund: <u>http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/ptif-fitc-eng.php</u>

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