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Governments of Canada and Yukon announce joint-funding for infrastructure projects

Joint news release

WHITEHORSE— Member of Parliament for Yukon Larry Bagnell and Minister of Community Services Currie Dixon today announced funding for five projects in communities across the territory under the Government of Canada's Small Communities Fund.

The Government of Canada remains committed to making historic investments in infrastructure to promote good jobs and clean growth in towns and cities across the country.

The funding announced today by Mr. Bagnell, on behalf of the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities Amarjeet Sohi, will support key infrastructure initiatives across Yukon, including upgrades to waste water and drinking water facilities, solid waste systems, and road improvements.

Through the Small Communities Fund, the governments of Canada and Yukon will continue to work in partnership to fund priority public infrastructure that will contribute to stronger, more inclusive, and sustainable communities in the North.

Quotes

"Going forward, the federal government will continue to support public infrastructure that contributes to the quality of life of all Canadians – leaving a lasting legacy to future generations. The Government of Canada is proud to invest in these five infrastructure projects, four of which are in Yukon communities of less than 1,000 people. The projects will improve local infrastructure and have a positive and lasting impact on the quality of life for Northern Canadians for years to come."

-Larry Bagnell, Member of Parliament for Yukon, on behalf of the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

"All across our territory, programs such as the Small Communities Fund will help us improve solid waste and wastewater facilities, upgrade roads and safeguard drinking water quality. The Yukon government is proud to partner with the Government of Canada, as well as Yukon municipalities, First Nations and local organizations in providing infrastructure that is helping us build vibrant, healthy and sustainable communities in Yukon."

-Currie Dixon, Minister of Community Services, Government of Yukon

Quick Facts

- The Government of Canada will contribute up to \$4,387,500 of the total eligible cost of \$5,850,000 for the five projects. The Government of Yukon will also contribute \$1,462,500.
- The Small Communities Fund allocation for Yukon is \$25,658,417.

Learn more

Small Communities Fund

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Backgrounder

The governments of Canada and Yukon are announcing funding for five infrastructure projects in communities in the territory under the New Building Canada Fund's Small Communities Fund. The Government of Canada will contribute up to \$4,387,500 for the five projects, which have a total eligible cost of \$5,850,000.

The Small Communities Fund provides support for priority public infrastructure projects that deliver on local needs in communities across Canada that have fewer than 100,000 residents. So far, the vast majority of the projects approved under this fund are in communities with a population of less than 25,000.

The projects announced today are as follows:

Municipality	Project title	Total estimated cost
Village of Carmacks	Carmacks Sewage System	\$2,000,000
Faro, Watson Lake, Haines Junction (via Government of Yukon)	Solid Waste Improvements in Faro, Watson Lake and Haines Junction	\$1,500,000
Village of Teslin	Teslin Drainage and Road Upgrades	\$1,100,000
City of Whitehorse	Whitehorse Groundwater Protection Project	\$500,000
City of Whitehorse	Whitehorse McLean Lake Connector Road	\$750,000

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