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Case Number 2019-04-1-1323672187

City of Niagara Falls Livia McEachern, Engineering Project Manager Imceachern@niagarafalls.ca

Dear Livia McEachern,

Re: Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – Rural and Northern Funding Stream

On behalf of the Ministry of Infrastructure and the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, we are pleased to inform you that the federal review of your project under the ICIP Rural and Northern stream is now complete and that the Reconstruction of Sections of Drummond Road, Gallinger Street and Portage Road project has been approved for funding.

Provided that the City of Niagara Falls enters into a Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA), and subject to the terms and conditions of the same, the recipient is eligible to receive funding up to the following amounts:

Federal Contribution	\$2,499,999.60
Provincial Contribution	\$1,666,499.73
Total Funding Provided	\$4,166,499.33

Eligible costs incurred on and after May 20, 2020 will be eligible for provincial reimbursement. Please note that until a TPA is executed, the province will not be under any obligation to fund project costs.

The TPA will follow shortly and will outline the terms and conditions of funding, including:

- The maximum funding that will be provided. The TPA will provide the per cent funding allowed both federally and provincially to the maximum contribution amounts noted above. Under this program, costs are reimbursed typically after they are incurred and paid by the recipient. This means that you will need to have an alternative source of funding to cover eligible costs prior to review and reimbursement by the Province.
- No claims will be reimbursed and construction/site preparation cannot start prior to notification from Canada, in writing, that it is satisfied the project has met any potential Environmental Assessment and Aboriginal Consultation requirements.
- The recipient acknowledges it will fund all amounts in excess of eligible costs, including any budget increases and cost overruns, as well as any operation and maintenance costs associated with the project.

- Only costs associated with contracts that are entered into after the approval date noted above through a transparent, competitive process that ensures the best value for money are eligible.
 If you procured goods or services through alternative means, please contact the email address or telephone number provided below immediately to discuss further.
- The project scope, as determined based on discussions between your staff, provincial staff, and federal officials. Please note, in some cases project descriptions have been revised to align the applications to the program criteria and remove ineligible items. This includes removal of any underground infrastructure that may have been included in the original application.
- The recipient will ensure all regulatory approvals are in place and will consult with Indigenous peoples on the project.
- The recipient will ensure all reporting requirements are met. Note that some reporting requirements may be required before claims will be processed.
- Due to agreements between the federal and provincial governments, this funding decision is to be kept confidential and cannot be not shared in any public forums (except for your municipal council) or communicated to the media. Canada and/or Ontario will contact your community to arrange joint public communication regarding the funding of your community's project.

Once the TPA is received, please review the document carefully. If changes are required, these should be made before the agreement is executed.

If you have any questions, please contact program staff via the call centre at 1-877-424-1300 or via email ICIPRural@ontario.ca.

We look forward to working with you as you implement this project.

Sincerely.

Julia Danos Director, Intergovernmental Policy Branch Ministry of Infrastructure Carolyn Hamilton Director, Rural Programs Branch Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs