



## HIGHLIGHTS WATER, HOUSING AND RELIABLE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FIRST NATIONS



### CHALLENGES »

- » The First Nations infrastructure deficit is estimated as high as **\$30 billion**, including housing, water and wastewater, health facilities, roads, education facilities, energy systems and internet
- » In November 2015 there were **105 long-term drinking water advisories** on public systems on reserves

### ■ PROGRESS SINCE 2015

- ✓ lifted **85 long-term drinking water advisories** from public water systems on reserves
- ✓ invested in building, renovating, servicing and acquiring **16,439 housing units and lots** in collaboration with the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
- ✓ **2,425 infrastructure projects** on reserves completed. Projects include:
  - » Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations repurposed shipping containers into 21 rental units
  - » Webequie First Nation completed housing projects that provided 29 families with safe and modern homes
  - » Construction of Freedom Road reached the Trans-Canada Highway benefitting the Shoal Lake No. 40 First Nation
  - » White Cap Dakota First Nation broke ground on their new 155-room hotel and conference centre
  - » Pikangikum First Nation turned on reliable electricity—a major milestone in the Wataynikaneyap Power project that will connect 16 First Nations to the Ontario power grid by 2023

### ■ THE PATH FORWARD

- ✓ **All long-term drinking water advisories** on public systems on reserves lifted by March 2021
- ✓ **Housing strategies** led by First Nations, Inuit and Métis
- ✓ **Long-term funding** to support reliable infrastructure on reserves



# ALL

long-term drinking water  
advisories on public systems  
on reserves lifted by

## MARCH 2021

# 85

long-term drinking  
water advisories  
lifted since  
November 2015

# 58

long-term  
drinking water  
advisories remain

*As of July 3, 2019*

Projects underway or completed  
as of March 31, 2019

**434** ▶ water and wastewater  
infrastructure projects  
to repair, upgrade  
or build

**62** ▶ supporting initiatives  
like water operator  
training

**65** ▶ feasibility studies  
to determine  
infrastructure needs



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