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First Nations Targeted Infrastructure Investment Quarterly Report (cumulative since April 2016) Regional Operations – March 31, 2019

Executive Summary



Blast Hole Drilling Training
Thompson, Manitoba



\$3.43B
INVESTED



1,554
ONGOING PROJECTS

2,425
COMPLETED

3,979
TOTAL PROJECTS

WATER AND WASTEWATER



\$1.22B

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

346
ONGOING PROJECTS

215
COMPLETED

561
TOTAL PROJECTS

582
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

458,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

HOUSING



\$636.2M

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

609
ONGOING PROJECTS

1,030
COMPLETED

1,639
TOTAL PROJECTS

575
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

443,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

EDUCATION



\$585.7M

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

126
ONGOING PROJECTS

60
COMPLETED

186
TOTAL PROJECTS

240
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

269,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

HEALTH



\$266.1M

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

29
ONGOING PROJECTS

178
COMPLETED

207
TOTAL PROJECTS

164
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

176,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

OTHER ESSENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE



\$716.1M

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

438
ONGOING PROJECTS

942
COMPLETED

1,380
TOTAL PROJECTS

562
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

442,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

TRANSFORMATION



\$4.6M

TARGETED FUNDING INVESTMENTS

6
ONGOING PROJECTS

NONE
COMPLETED

6
TOTAL PROJECTS

133
COMMUNITIES
SERVING APPROX.

147,000
PEOPLE
WILL BENEFIT FROM THESE INVESTMENTS

Building a brighter future together for First Nations

In 2015, the Government of Canada made a commitment to First Nations to move forward in the spirit of reconciliation and support communities to create lasting, positive change for First Nations across the country.

Together, through the hard work of First Nations communities, partners and the Government of Canada, initial results have been achieved.

- 1,267 new homes have been built and 2,720 existing homes have been renovated or upgraded.
- 15 new schools have been constructed with another 59 currently under construction.
- 178 health-related infrastructure projects have been completed to address access to health services on reserves and another 29 are underway.

- 81 long-term drinking water advisories on public systems on reserves were lifted between November 2015 and March 31, 2019.
- 174 culture and recreation projects have been completed, including pow-wow grounds, youth centres and ice skating rinks.
- 123 energy, sustainability and connectivity projects have been completed and 65 are underway.

Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) has invested more than \$3.43 billion of targeted funds to support 3,979 infrastructure projects in First Nations communities across Canada since Budget 2016. As of March 31, 2019, 2,425 of these projects have been completed. A full overview of all projects, including locations, photos and investments, can be found online through the First Nations infrastructure investment

interactive map (canada.ca/infrastructure-on-reserve). The map tracks the progress of thousands of projects in First Nations communities across the country.

In addition to addressing infrastructure needs, the Government of Canada supports communities' efforts toward self-determination. ISC invests in innovative programs and training that contribute to ongoing community planning, increased governance capacity, and economic development. Approximately 1,195 of all infrastructure projects, representing 30% of ISC's total project portfolio, include training as well as supporting services and initiatives such as studies, community planning and needs assessments.

Communities leading the way

Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) is investing in capacity building and readiness in First Nations communities. Investing in local infrastructure without considering local context could lead to infrastructure investments that do not meet the needs of the communities in which they are built.

By facilitating community-led planning, ISC supports First Nations communities in creating and implementing capacity development plans. These plans, created by communities, describe their vision and direction toward self-determination. They can take many different forms, engaging all community members on topics including governance, infrastructure, health, culture, and economic development.

First Nations communities across Canada have completed 147 community-led infrastructure plans so far. The community-led planning process has been implemented in all regions and interest is growing. As a result, Budget 2018 invested \$39 million over the next two fiscal years (2018-19 and 2019-20) for community-led infrastructure planning pilot projects specifically targeted to the Professional and Institutional Development Program. This investment will support 140 communities with 20 different pilot projects. The scope of the pilot projects allows for integrated community

planning and can include, but is not limited to, strategic plans, land use plans, nation-based plans, plans targeted at getting out of default, and economic plans. By bringing a community together to set a vision, community-led planning can allow for consistency in community development by enabling existing and incoming leadership to understand and track the priorities of their community over the long term.

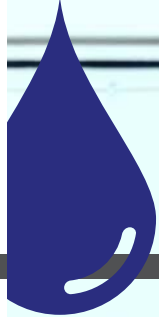
First Nations communities are able to take their completed plans directly to partners and key stakeholders to seek funding for the implementation and advancement of their priorities, increasing the speed and efficiency with which projects are started and completed. Investments in community-led planning projects can help communities build capacity while guiding leadership in their efforts to make decisions about future projects needed in their communities.



Improving access to clean, safe drinking water in First Nations communities is a key priority of the Government of Canada. The government has made \$2.06 billion in commitments to First Nations to build and repair water and wastewater infrastructure and support effective management and maintenance of water systems on reserves. Of this, \$1.22 billion has been invested in 561 projects.

For up-to-date information on long-term drinking water advisories, please visit: canada.ca/water-on-reserve.

WATER AND WASTEWATER



	TOTALS	WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE	FEASIBILITY STUDIES	SUPPORTING INITIATIVES
PROJECTS	<div>346 ongoing</div> <div>215 completed</div> <div>561 TOTAL</div>	<div>236 ongoing</div> <div>198 completed</div> <div>434 TOTAL</div>	<div>65 ongoing</div> <div>Based on the results of the feasibility study, completed studies are then categorized under projects or supporting services.</div>	<div>45 ongoing</div> <div>17 completed</div> <div>62 TOTAL</div>
PEOPLE BENEFITING	<div>582</div> <div>First Nations communities serving approximately 458,000 people</div>	<div>321</div> <div>First Nations communities serving approximately 337,000 people</div>	<div>62</div> <div>First Nations communities serving approximately 69,000 people</div>	<div>577</div> <div>First Nations communities serving approximately 452,000 people</div>
INVESTMENTS	<div>\$1.22B</div>	<div>90%</div>	<div>10%</div>	

Note: Supporting initiatives include investments toward training programs, water treatment studies, equipment and planning exercises.

New Water Treatment System

The Enoch Cree Nation (Alberta) partnered with Indigenous Services Canada to build a new water treatment system capable of meeting all Canadian drinking water quality guidelines. The new water treatment system will provide clean, safe and reliable water to more than 2,400 community members.





The Government of Canada is working to ensure all First Nations people living on reserves have access to adequate, safe and affordable housing. Since Budget 2016, 1,267 new homes have been built and 2,720 existing homes have been renovated or upgraded through \$636.2 million of investments. The government is committing \$1.02 billion until 2020–2021 to improve housing in First Nations communities.

	TOTALS	NEW HOMES	RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS	LOT SERVICING AND ACQUISITION	CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION
PROJECTS	609 ongoing 2,773 homes/lots	162 ongoing 964 homes/lots	209 ongoing 1,486 homes/lots	34 ongoing 323 homes/lots	204 ongoing
	1,030 completed 4,351 homes/lots	192 completed 1,267 homes/lots	288 completed 2,720 homes/lots	55 completed 364 homes/lots	495 completed
	1,639 TOTAL 7,124 homes/lots	354 TOTAL 2,231 homes/lots	497 TOTAL 4,206 homes/lots	89 TOTAL 687 homes/lots	699 TOTAL
PEOPLE BENEFITING	575 First Nations communities serving approximately 443,000 people	281 First Nations communities serving approximately 292,000 people	365 First Nations communities serving approximately 330,000 people	81 First Nations communities serving approximately 118,000 people	522 First Nations communities serving approximately 401,000 people
INVESTMENTS	\$636.2M	70%	18%	4%	8%



Construction of Duplexes
Three new duplexes in **Cook’s Ferry Indian Band (British Columbia)** will improve housing and reduce overcrowding, provide comfortable space for residents and create jobs and capacity building for the community. These duplexes were built using energy-efficient technologies and some of the units are wheelchair accessible. The Government of Canada invested \$1.5 million for the project.



On-reserve education facilities provide spaces to support learning while also often providing the community with a common gathering place. Since Budget 2016, ISC has invested \$585.7 million in school-related projects. As a part of its overall commitment of \$1.47 billion, the government is supporting First Nations in building quality learning environments that are safe, healthy and modern, helping to promote better educational outcomes for students living on reserves.

	TOTALS	NEW SCHOOLS	RENOVATIONS AND UPGRADES	FEASIBILITY STUDIES TO DETERMINE NEEDS	SUPPORTING INITIATIVES AND SERVICES PROJECTS
PROJECTS	126 ongoing 112 schools	58 ongoing 59 schools	54 ongoing 53 schools	9 ongoing	5 ongoing
	60 completed 48 schools	17 completed 15 schools	38 completed 33 schools	- completed	5 completed
	186 TOTAL 160 schools	75 TOTAL 74 schools	92 TOTAL 86 schools	9 TOTAL	10 TOTAL
PEOPLE BENEFITING	240 First Nations communities serving approximately 269,000 people	117 First Nations communities serving approximately 152,000 people	121 First Nations communities serving approximately 126,000 people	9 First Nations communities serving approximately 6,000 people	50 First Nations communities serving approximately 49,000 people
INVESTMENTS	\$585.7M	71%	24%	5%	1%



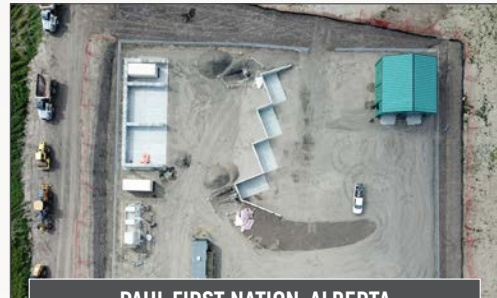
“My name is Jeffrey Bland. I am 28 years of age. I really enjoy this program which is going really well (blast hole). I come from a beautiful community called God’s Lake Narrows which has around 2,000 people. I have learned a lot within four weeks like training, laying out patterns, setting the drill on the flat bed, and so much more. I really hope to use these trades to go farther in the future.”

Jeffrey Bland,
Student Nominee
God’s Lake Narrows First Nation



Progress

From April **2016** to March **2019**



PAUL FIRST NATION, ALBERTA

Construction of a Solid Waste Transfer Station



MIAWPUKEK FIRST NATION, NEWFOUNDLAND

New School Library



NIPISSING FIRST NATION, ONTARIO

Firetruck Replacement



THOMPSON, MANITOBA

Blast Hole Drilling Training



NASKAPI NATION OF KAWAWACHIKAMACH, QUEBEC

Construction of a Fibre Optic Connection



STURGEON LAKE CREE NATION, SASKATCHEWAN

Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

April
2016

\$954.4M
INVESTED

March
2017

\$954.4M
2,044
PROJECTS

525
OF WHICH ARE COMPLETED

March
2018

\$2.23B
3,182
PROJECTS

1,443
OF WHICH ARE COMPLETED

March
2019

\$3.43B
3,979
PROJECTS

2,425
OF WHICH ARE COMPLETED

Budget commitments confirmed under Indigenous Services Canada*

\$695M Budgets 2013 and 2014 + **\$4.28B** Budget 2016 + **\$1.22B** Budget 2017 + **\$172.6M** Budget 2018 + **\$29.4M** Budget 2019



* Budget 2016 provided \$4.28 billion to improve First Nations community infrastructure on reserves across Canada.

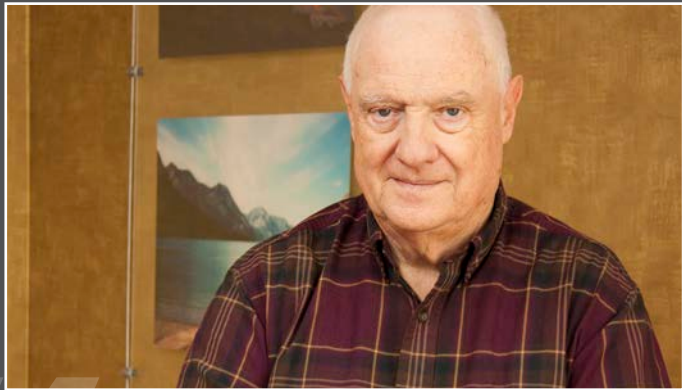
Budget 2017 provides \$4 billion over 10 years to build and improve infrastructure in First Nations and Inuit communities. Of this amount, approximately \$2.21 billion has been confirmed toward specific infrastructure under Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC), as well as Public Safety Canada. The remaining funding allocations totalling \$1.79 billion have yet to be confirmed. This report reflects \$1.22 billion confirmed toward the main infrastructure categories under the ISC mandate.

Budget 2018 builds on prior investments with an additional \$172.6 million to improve access to clean and safe drinking water on reserves.

Budget 2019 proposes to invest more than \$1 billion over five years to improve essential services on reserves. Because funds have yet to be confirmed, they are not represented below, except a one-time top-up of \$29.4 million through the federal Gas Tax Fund.

Supporting healthcare facilities that better align with community-identified health service delivery needs is a priority of the Government of Canada. Since Budget 2016, of the overall \$472.9 million that was committed, \$266.1 million has been invested in health-related infrastructure to help First Nations access healthcare on reserves, including First Nations health centres, nursing stations, and addictions and treatment centres.

	TOTALS	HEALTH FACILITIES	ABORIGINAL HEAD START ON RESERVE
PROJECTS	29 ongoing 178 completed 207 TOTAL	18 ongoing 29 completed 47 TOTAL	11 ongoing 149 completed 160 TOTAL
PEOPLE BENEFITING	164 First Nations communities serving approximately 176,000 people	41 First Nations communities serving approximately 60,000 people	134 First Nations communities serving approximately 139,000 people
INVESTMENTS	\$266.1M	83%	17%



"I work with communities on the construction of Aboriginal Head Start on Reserve (AHSOR) facilities. What really thrills me is the level of commitment by the community members to ensuring that young people are able to learn and experience their culture at an early age.

After fifty years in the construction industry, working on AHSOR projects is a rewarding experience as I am playing a role in providing the space that shapes the lives of the next generation of Indigenous youth."

Jim Grove,
Capital/Facilities Senior Manager-First Nations and Inuit Health Branch-Indigenous Services Canada, Alberta Region

FEATURED

Looking to the future of First Nations communities

In addition to helping plan and develop new infrastructure, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) also works with First Nations communities to maintain new and existing infrastructure.

First Nations communities in Canada own, operate and maintain a wide array of infrastructure assets including transportation and water distribution networks, sewage collection systems, information technology, vehicles, equipment, parks, and civic facilities. While these assets are expected to function efficiently and effectively for many years, they all have different expected lifecycles and need to be managed accordingly.

Supporting First Nations communities with the management and maintenance of existing infrastructure assets is essential, which is why ISC has developed the Asset Management Program. This initiative, under the Capital Facilities and Maintenance Program, supports First Nations communities in managing their infrastructure in a more sustainable way.

Asset management support can help guide First Nations communities in making the best decisions about upcoming infrastructure investments and help communities better communicate with stakeholders about what projects are needed, ongoing and completed.



Local infrastructure maintenance

In British Columbia, Williams Lake and Prince George held training sessions for members of Chief and Council, finance departments, public works departments and local technicians on maintaining local infrastructure and community assets. Recently, a number of communities in British Columbia worked together to develop the Asset Management Guide for BC First Nations. Participating communities have shared their time, experiences and hard work to support improvements to the quality of life of their members through asset management.

Tracking community assets

The Financial Management Board in Manitoba held its first awareness sessions to inform First Nations communities about the Asset Management Program and how it could benefit communities. They are also working with nine First Nations communities to set up a registry for all assets. This work will help to fill a gap in data on band owned assets that are not currently collected in regular reporting, which will lead to more informed holistic asset planning.

Operation cost forecasting

In Alberta, Peerless Trout First Nation's municipal services performed a costing assessment of their infrastructure in preparation for the potential transfer of municipal assets to the First Nation community. The analysis will help to determine potential operation and maintenance requirements for new assets.



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