

# Municipal Funding Issues

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# Municipal Funding Issues

- Available Programs (2006 Estimated)
  - Municipal Capital Works (34.5 Million)
  - Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (21 Million)
  - Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund (3 Million)
  - Gas Tax Program (19.8 Million)
  - Multi Year Funding (28.4 Million)



# Municipal Funding Issues

- Types of Projects that are Eligible
  - Water and Sewer
  - Roads and Paving
  - Solid Waste Management
  - Municipal Buildings – Fire Halls, Council Offices, recreation complexes
  - Fire Fighting Equipment

# Municipal Funding Issues

- Types of Projects Not Eligible
  - Snow Clearing Equipment
  - Subdivisions
  - Outside Limit of Servicing
  - Maintenance
  - Operation



# Municipal Funding Issues

- How to Apply?
  - One application for all programs
  - Recently revised and available on-line
  - Must be accompanied by:
    - Financial Evaluation
    - Detailed Estimate of Costs
    - Business Case (Federal Requirement)
    - Some funding programs may trigger further review requiring more information

# Municipal Funding Issues

- Program Selection
  - Department reviews all projects
  - Determines relative need in cooperation with other government agencies
  - Projects are selected/ nominated to appropriate program
  - Successful projects are announced



# Municipal Funding Issues

- Cost Sharing Ratios
  - Roads: 50/50 P/M
  - Waste Management: 50/50 P/M (Excluding Implementation of Provincial Strategy)
  - Recreation: 50/50 P/M
  - Municipal Buildings: 50/50 P/M
  - Fire Fighting: 50/50 P/M
  - Water/Sewer: Varies from 50/50 P/M to a Best 70/30 P/M
  - Department has policies surrounding towns who can not afford their share of needed project (Faint Hope)

# Municipal Funding Issues

- What can towns do to improve chances of receiving funding?
  - Demonstrate that you can pay for new facilities.
    - Financial Evaluation (O+M, Capital Repayment)
    - Business Case
  - Indicate why project is needed
    - What happens if you don't do the project?
  - Keep cost per Household within reason
    - Water and Sewer Servicing >28,000/HH
  - Operate existing Water and Sewer System in compliance with DOE Permit to Operate
    - Will impact other categories of funding



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- Forecasted Areas for Major Funding
  - Water and Sewer Treatment
  - Replacement and Rehabilitation of Water and Sewer Systems
  - Solid Waste Management
  - Green house gas emission reduction projects

# Municipal Funding Issues

- Questions or requests for assistance regarding capital projects should be directed to
  - Regional Engineers
    - Brian Beaton
    - Daniel Hynes (A)
    - Norm Parsons
    - Bruce McGrath
  - Chief Regional Engineer, Cyril McCarthy
  - Manager of Municipal Engineering, Bruce McGrath (A)
  - Director of Engineering and Land Use Planning, Randy Dillon (A)



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- Questions?
- Concerns?
- Discussion